

- (2) appropriate marine safety, tug, and salvage capabilities;
- (3) oil spill prevention and response capability;
- (4) maritime domain awareness, including long-range vessel tracking; and
- (5) search and rescue.

(c) **COORDINATION BY COMMITTEE ON THE MARITIME TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.**—The Committee on the Maritime Transportation System established under section 55501 of title 46, United States Code, shall coordinate the establishment of domestic transportation policies in the Arctic necessary to carry out the purpose of this section.

(d) **AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS.**—The Secretary may, subject to the availability of appropriations, enter into cooperative agreements, contracts, or other agreements with, or make grants to, individuals and governments to carry out the purpose of this section or any agreements established under subsection (b).

(e) **ICEBREAKING.**—The Secretary shall promote safe maritime navigation by means of icebreaking where necessary, feasible, and effective to carry out the purposes of this section.

(f) **ARCTIC DEFINITION.**—In this section, the term “Arctic” has the meaning given such term in section 112 of the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4111).

(Added Pub. L. 113–281, title V, §501(a), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3056, §90; amended Pub. L. 115–232, div. C, title XXXV, §3533(d), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 2321; renumbered §716, Pub. L. 115–282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115–282 renumbered section 90 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 115–232 struck out question mark after “the term ‘Arctic’”.

§ 717. Agreements

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—In carrying out section 504(a)(4), the Commandant may—

- (1) enter into cooperative agreements, contracts, and other agreements with—
 - (A) Federal entities;
 - (B) other public or private entities in the United States, including academic entities; and
 - (C) foreign governments with the concurrence of the Secretary of State; and
- (2) impose on and collect from an entity subject to an agreement or contract under paragraph (1) a fee to assist with expenses incurred in carrying out such section.

(b) **DEPOSIT AND USE OF FEES.**—Fees collected under this section shall be deposited in the general fund of the Treasury as offsetting receipts. The fees may be used, to the extent provided in advance in an appropriation law, only to carry out activities under section 504(a)(4).

(Added Pub. L. 113–281, title II, §206(b), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3025, §102; renumbered §717 and amended Pub. L. 115–282, title I, §§106(b), 123(b)(2), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203, 4240.)

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115–282, §106(b), renumbered section 102 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115–282, §123(b)(2), substituted “section 504(a)(4)” for “section 93(a)(4)” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 115–282, §123(b)(2), substituted “section 504(a)(4)” for “section 93(a)(4)”.

§ 718. Training; emergency response providers

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Commandant may, on a reimbursable or a non-reimbursable basis, make a training available to emergency response providers whenever the Commandant determines that—

- (1) a member of the Coast Guard, who is scheduled to participate in such training, is unable or unavailable to participate in such training;
- (2) no other member of the Coast Guard, who is assigned to the unit to which the member of the Coast Guard who is unable or unavailable to participate in such training is assigned, is able or available to participate in such training; and
- (3) such training, if made available to such emergency response providers, would further the goal of interoperability among Federal agencies, non-Federal governmental agencies, or both.

(b) **EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROVIDERS DEFINED.**—In this section, the term “emergency response providers” has the meaning given that term in section 2 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101).

(c) **TREATMENT OF REIMBURSEMENT.**—Any reimbursements for a training that the Coast Guard receives under this section shall be credited to the appropriation used to pay the costs for such training.

(d) **STATUS; LIMITATION ON LIABILITY.**—

(1) **STATUS.**—Any individual to whom, as an emergency response provider, training is made available under this section, who is not otherwise a Federal employee, shall not, because of that training, be considered a Federal employee for any purpose (including the purposes of chapter 81 of title 5 (relating to compensation for injury) and sections 2671 through 2680 of title 28 (relating to tort claims)).

(2) **LIMITATION ON LIABILITY.**—The United States shall not be liable for actions taken by an individual in the course of training made available under this section.

(Added Pub. L. 115–282, title III, §306(a), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4247.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

For redesignation of prior sections 720 to 894 not listed below as having been previously repealed or omitted, see Table Showing Redesignations Made by Title I of Pub. L. 115–282 preceding section 101 of this title.

A prior section 751, acts Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 551; Aug. 3, 1950, ch. 536, §31, 64 Stat. 408, related to the purpose and administration of the Reserve, prior to repeal by act July 9, 1952, ch. 608, part VIII, §§802, 803, 66 Stat. 505, effective on the first day of the sixth month following July 1952.

A prior section 751a, added act Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, §15(a), 70A Stat. 624, provided for the organization of the Coast Guard Reserve and was omitted in the general revision of former chapter 21 of this title by Pub. L. 96–322, §1, Aug. 4, 1980, 94 Stat. 1002.

A prior section 752, act Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 551, related to eligibility, prior to repeal by act July 9,