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AMENDMENTS

2007—Pub. L. 110-140, title I, §111(c), Dec. 19, 2007, 121 Stat. 1507. added item 32304A.

1994—Pub. L. 103-429, §6(28), Oct. 31, 1994, 108 Stat. 4380, substituted "Civil" for "Criminal" in item 32309.

# §32301. Definitions

In this chapter-

(1) "crash avoidance" means preventing or mitigating a crash;

(2) "crashworthiness" means the protection a passenger motor vehicle gives its passengers against personal injury or death from a motor vehicle accident; and

(3) "damage susceptibility" means the susceptibility of a passenger motor vehicle to damage in a motor vehicle accident.

(Pub. L. 103-272, §1(e), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1035; Pub. L. 112-141, div. C, title I, §31305(a), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 765.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised<br>Section | Source (U.S. Code) | Source (Statutes at Large)   |
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| 32301              | 15:1901(13), (14). | Oct. 20, 1972, Pub. L. 92–513,<br>§2(13), (14), 86 Stat. 948;<br>Dec. 22, 1975, Pub. L.<br>94–163, §301, 89 Stat. 901;<br>Oct. 10, 1980, Pub. L.<br>96–425, §4(a)(2), 94 Stat.<br>1828; Oct. 25, 1984, Pub. L.<br>98–547, §101(b), 98 Stat.<br>2767. |

#### AMENDMENTS

2012-Pub. L. 112-141 added par. (1), redesignated former pars. (1) and (2) as (2) and (3), respectively, and, in par. (2), substituted "; and" for period at end.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2012 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 112-141 effective Oct. 1, 2012, see section 3(a) of Pub. L. 112-141, set out as an Effective and Termination Dates of 2012 Amendment note under section 101 of Title 23, Highways.

## § 32302. Passenger motor vehicle information

(a) INFORMATION PROGRAM.—The Secretary of Transportation shall maintain a program for developing the following information on passenger motor vehicles:

(1) damage susceptibility.

(2) crashworthiness, crash avoidance, and any other areas the Secretary determines will improve the safety of passenger motor vehicles.

(3) the degree of difficulty of diagnosis and repair of damage to, or failure of, mechanical and electrical systems.

(b) MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION.-To assist a consumer in buying a passenger motor vehicle, the Secretary shall provide to the public infor-

proclaimed to be in effect by the President on January 9, 1978 (Proc. No. 4534, Oct. 24, 1977, 42 F.R. 56593). The words "the Canal Zone" are omitted because of the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977.

In clause (12), the word "means" is substituted for "includes" as being more appropriate. The words "a State of the United States" are substituted for "each of the several States" for consistency in the revised title and with other titles of the United States Code.

In clause (13), the words "of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico" are omitted as surplus because the district court of Puerto Rico is a district court of the United States under 28:119.

## PUB. L. 103-429

This makes a conforming amendment to 49:32101 necessary because of the amendment to 49:32304(a)(11) made by section 6(29) of the bill and to clarify the restatement of 15:1901 by section 1 of the Act of July 5, 1994 (Public Law 103-272, 108 Stat. 1034).

#### Amendments

1994—Pub. L. 103-429 amended introductory provisions generally. Prior to amendment, introductory provisions read as follows: "In this part (except section 32304 and chapter 329)-".

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-429 effective July 5, 1994, see section 9 of Pub. L. 103-429, set out as a note under section 321 of this title.

### § 32102. Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary \$9,562,500 for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to carry out this part in each fiscal year beginning in fiscal year 1999 and ending in fiscal year 2001.

(Pub. L. 103-272, §1(e), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1035; Pub. L. 105-178, title VII, §7102(b), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 465; Pub. L. 106-39, §1(b), July 28, 1999, 113 Stat. 206.)

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| Revised<br>Section | Source (U.S. Code) | Source (Statutes at Large)                                   |
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| 32102              | 15:1392 (note).    | Dec. 18, 1991, Pub. L. 102-240,<br>§2501(b), 105 Stat. 2081. |

The reference to fiscal year 1992 is omitted as obsolete.

### AMENDMENTS

1999-Pub. L. 106-39 substituted "\$9,562,500" for ···\$6,200,000"

1998—Pub. L. 105-178 reenacted section catchline without change and amended text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "The following amounts may be appropriated to the Secretary of Transportation for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to carry out this part:

"(1) \$6,731,430 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1993.

"(2) \$6,987,224 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994.

"(3) \$7,252,739 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995.'

# **CHAPTER 323—CONSUMER INFORMATION**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Section catchline amended by Pub. L. 114-94 without corresponding amendment of chapter analysis.