

(R.S. § 259; Feb. 27, 1877, ch. 69, § 1, 19 Stat. 241; Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 9, 32 Stat. 829; Aug. 23, 1912, ch. 350, § 1, 37 Stat. 407; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

R.S. § 259 derived from acts Sept. 24, 1789, ch. 20, § 35, 1 Stat. 92; June 25, 1868, ch. 71, § 5, 15 Stat. 75; June 22, 1870, ch. 150, § 5, 16 Stat. 162.

##### AMENDMENTS

1877—Act Feb. 27, 1877, struck out “agriculture” before “manufactures”.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### CHANGE OF NAME

Act Mar. 4, 1913, substituted “Secretary of Commerce” for “Secretary of Commerce and Labor”.

##### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Act Aug. 23, 1912, transferred certain duties of Department or Bureau of Labor to Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

Act Feb. 14, 1903, transferred Bureau of Statistics from Treasury Department to Department of Commerce and Labor.

#### Executive Documents

##### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, see note set out under section 172 of this title.

#### §§ 184 to 187. Repealed. Pub. L. 87-826, § 3, Oct. 15, 1962, 76 Stat. 953

Section 184, R.S. § 263; acts Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 10, 32 Stat. 829; Aug. 23, 1912, ch. 350, § 1, 37 Stat. 407; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736; Mar. 1, 1919, ch. 86, 40 Stat. 1256, required printing of an annual report on commerce on navigation. See section 301 et seq. of Title 13, Census.

Section 185, R.S. § 251 (part); acts Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 10, 32 Stat. 829; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736, required Secretary of Commerce to prescribe forms of annual statements to be submitted to Congress showing the actual state of commerce and navigation between the United States and foreign countries, or coastwise between the collection districts of the United States. See section 301 et seq. of Title 13.

Section 186, R.S. § 338, required annual report of statistics of commerce and navigation to state kinds, quantities, and value of merchandise entered and cleared coastwise into and from collection districts of the United States. See section 301 et seq. of Title 13.

Section 187, R.S. §§ 265, 3812; acts Jan. 12, 1895, ch. 23, § 17, 28 Stat. 603; Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 10, 32 Stat. 829; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736, related to printing of statement of exports and imports. See section 301 et seq. of Title 13.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective 180 days after Oct. 15, 1962, see section 4 of Pub. L. 87-826, set out as a note under section 301 of Title 13, Census.

##### SAVINGS PROVISION

See section 3 of Pub. L. 87-826, set out as a note under sections 173 and 174 of this title.

#### § 188. Publication of commercial information

The Secretary of Commerce shall publish official notifications, from time to time, of such

commercial information communicated to him by diplomatic and consular officers, as he may deem important to the public interests, in such newspapers, not to exceed three in number, as he may select.

(R.S. § 211; Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 10, 32 Stat. 829; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### CODIFICATION

R.S. § 211 derived from act Aug. 18, 1856, ch. 127, § 2, 11 Stat. 60.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### CHANGE OF NAME

Act Mar. 4, 1913, substituted “Secretary of Commerce” for “Secretary of Commerce and Labor”.

##### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Act Feb. 14, 1903, transferred Bureau of Statistics from Treasury Department to Department of Commerce and Labor.

#### §§ 189, 189a. Repealed. Pub. L. 91-412, § 3(b), (c), Sept. 25, 1970, 84 Stat. 864

Section 189, act May 15, 1936, ch. 405, § 1, 49 Stat. 1335, which authorized Secretary of Commerce to charge for lists of foreign buyers, special statistical services, special commodity news bulletins, and World Trade Directory reports and to deposit collections therefore in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, is now covered by sections 1525 and 1526 of this title. Similar provisions were contained in the following acts:

Mar. 22, 1935, ch. 39, 49 Stat. 89.  
Apr. 7, 1934, ch. 104, 48 Stat. 550.  
Mar. 1, 1933, ch. 144, 47 Stat. 1392.  
July 1, 1932, ch. 361, 47 Stat. 501.  
June 30, 1932, ch. 314, pt. II, title III, § 310, 47 Stat. 410.

Feb. 23, 1931, ch. 280, 46 Stat. 1333.  
Apr. 18, 1930, ch. 184, 46 Stat. 197.  
Jan. 25, 1929, ch. 102, 45 Stat. 1118.  
Feb. 15, 1928, ch. 57, 45 Stat. 87.  
Feb. 24, 1927, ch. 189, 44 Stat. 1203.  
Apr. 29, 1926, ch. 195, 44 Stat. 353.  
Mar. 3, 1881, ch. 130, 21 Stat. 391.  
June 16, 1880, ch. 235, 21 Stat. 271.

Section 189a, act May 27, 1935, ch. 148, § 1, 49 Stat. 292, which authorized Department of Commerce to make special statistical studies (foreign trade, domestic trade, and other economic matters), to prepare from its records special statistical compilations, and to furnish transcripts (studies, tables, and other records), upon payment of actual cost by requesting person, firm, or corporations, is now covered by section 1525 of this title.

#### § 190. Discussions in commercial reports of partisan questions

No part of the consular and other commercial reports of the Department of Commerce, including circular letters to chambers of commerce, discussing partisan political, religious, or moral questions shall be published.

(Feb. 25, 1885, ch. 150, 23 Stat. 324; Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, § 10, 32 Stat. 829; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, § 1, 37 Stat. 736.)

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### CHANGE OF NAME

Act Mar. 4, 1913, substituted “Department of Commerce” for “Department of Commerce and Labor”.

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Act Feb. 14, 1903, transferred Bureau of Statistics from Treasury Department to Department of Commerce and Labor.

**§ 191. Terms of measure, weight, and money in commercial reports**

All terms of measure, weight, and money in the diplomatic, consular, and other commercial reports prepared, printed, published, and distributed by the Department of Commerce shall be reduced to and expressed in terms of measure, weight, and coin of the United States, as well as in the foreign terms.

(Feb. 9, 1903, ch. 530, 32 Stat. 813; Feb. 14, 1903, ch. 552, §10, 32 Stat. 829; Mar. 4, 1913, ch. 141, §1, 37 Stat. 736.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## CHANGE OF NAME

Act Mar. 4, 1913, substituted "Department of Commerce" for "Department of Commerce and Labor".

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Act Feb. 14, 1903, transferred Bureau of Statistics from Treasury Department to Department of Commerce and Labor.

**§§ 192, 192a. Repealed. Pub. L. 91-412, §3(a), (b), Sept. 25, 1970, 84 Stat. 864**

Section 192, acts Mar. 1, 1919, ch. 86, §1, 40 Stat. 1256; May 27, 1935, ch. 148, §2, 49 Stat. 293, which provided for deposit of moneys received for special statistical studies, compilations, and transcripts in a special account for payment of ordinary expenses incidental to the work and services of nongovernmental individuals and had originally provided for covering into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts moneys received in payment of photographic and other mechanical reproduction of special statistical compilations from the records, is now covered by section 1526 of this title.

Section 192a, acts May 27, 1935, ch. 148, §3, 49 Stat. 293; Aug. 7, 1946, ch. 770, §1(4), 60 Stat. 866, required Secretary of Commerce to prescribe rules and regulations governing special statistical studies.

**§ 193. Repealed. Pub. L. 87-826, §3, Oct. 15, 1962, 76 Stat. 953**

Section, act Jan. 5, 1923, ch. 23, §2, 42 Stat. 1110, related to statements and reports for collectors of customs and Treasury Department. See section 301 et seq. of Title 13, Census.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective 180 days after Oct. 15, 1962, see section 4 of Pub. L. 87-826, set out as a note under section 301 of Title 13, Census.

## SAVINGS PROVISION

See section 3 of Pub. L. 87-826, set out as a note under sections 173 and 174 of this title.

**§§ 194, 195. Omitted**

**Editorial Notes**

## CODIFICATION

Section 194, act Jan. 5, 1923, ch. 23, §1, 42 Stat. 1109, which transferred to the Department of Commerce from the Department of the Treasury the control and

expense of operation of the office known as the Bureau of Customs Statistics under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Treasury, on Jan. 5, 1923, located in the customhouse, City of New York, State of New York, including all officers, clerks, and other employees of that bureau, official records, papers, mechanical and office equipment, furniture, and supplies in use on that date and which authorized the Secretary of Commerce to consolidate the Bureau of Customs Statistics with the Division of Statistics of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce into one office, located in either Washington or New York, or partly in either place, in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce, with the statistical bureau authorized to be located in New York under the jurisdiction and control of the Department of Commerce to continue to occupy the premises in the New York customhouse which were on Jan. 5, 1923, occupied by the Bureau of Customs Statistics, and with additional space as needed to be assigned in the same building for its use by the Secretary of the Treasury upon request of the Secretary of Commerce, has been omitted as executed. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Secretary of Commerce by Reorg. Plan No. 5 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1263, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, the Secretary has reassigned the functions of the Division of Statistics of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce to other offices of the Department of Commerce.

Section 195, acts Apr. 18, 1930, ch. 184, 46 Stat. 198; Feb. 23, 1931, ch. 280, 46 Stat. 1334, which provided for the payment of transportation expenses of employees, is covered by section 5701 et seq. of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 196. Payments for rent of offices in foreign countries**

Section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31 shall not apply to advance payments for rent of offices in foreign countries by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

(Mar. 4, 1925, ch. 556, §1, 43 Stat. 1327.)

**Editorial Notes**

## CODIFICATION

"Section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31" substituted in text for "section 3648 of the Revised Statutes" on authority of Pub. L. 97-258, §4(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1067, the first section of which enacted Title 31, Money and Finance.

Section was formerly classified to section 531 of Title 31 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title 31, Money and Finance, by Pub. L. 97-258, §1, Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 877.

Section is from the Second Deficiency Act for the fiscal year 1925.

**Executive Documents**

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of all other officers of Department of Commerce and functions of all agencies and employees of such Department, with a few exceptions, transferred to Secretary of Commerce, with power vested in him to authorize their performance or performance of any of his functions by any of such officers, agencies, and employees, by Reorg. Plan No. 5 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1263, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. Through internal reorganization, functions of former Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, referred to in text, have been reassigned to other offices of Department of Commerce.

**§§ 197 to 197d. Repealed. Aug. 13, 1946, ch. 957, title XI, §1131(54), 60 Stat. 1039**

Section 197, act Mar. 3, 1927, ch. 365, §1, 44 Stat. 1394, related to establishment of Foreign Commerce Service.