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## AMENDMENTS

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-36 substituted “certificates of registry, and merchant mariners’ documents” for “certificates, and documents”.

**§ 7706. Drug testing reporting**

(a) **RELEASE OF DRUG TEST RESULTS TO COAST GUARD.**—Not later than 2 weeks after receiving from a Medical Review Officer a report of a verified positive drug test or verified test violation by a civilian employee of a Federal agency, an applicant for employment by a Federal agency, an officer in the Public Health Services, or an officer in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps, who is employed in any capacity on board a vessel operated by the agency, the head of the agency shall release to the Commandant the report.

(b) **STANDARDS, PROCEDURES, AND REGULATIONS.**—The head of a Federal agency shall carry out a release under subsection (a) in accordance with the standards, procedures, and regulations applicable to the disclosure and reporting to the Coast Guard of drug tests results and drug test records of individuals employed on vessels documented under the laws of the United States.

(c) **WAIVER.**—Notwithstanding section 503(e) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1987 (5 U.S.C. 7301 note), the report of a drug test of an employee or an applicant for employment by a Federal agency may be released under this section without the prior written consent of the employee or the applicant.

(Added Pub. L. 108-293, title IV, §414(a), Aug. 9, 2004, 118 Stat. 1046; amended Pub. L. 113-281, title III, §304, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3043; Pub. L. 115-232, div. C, title XXXV, §3541(b)(13), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 2323.)

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## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 503(e) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1987, referred to in subsec. (c), is section 503(e) of Pub. L. 100-71, which is set out as a note under section 7301 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-232 struck out “of the Coast Guard” after “Commandant”.

2014—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 113-281, §304(1), inserted “an applicant for employment by a Federal agency,” after “Federal agency.”

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 113-281, §304(2), inserted “or an applicant for employment by a Federal agency” after “an employee” and substituted “the employee or the applicant” for “the employee”.

**PART F—MANNING OF VESSELS**

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Part F provides for the manning of vessels including requirements generally for the number of individuals required, qualifications and conditions of employment, and duties; for masters and other licenses and registered individuals; for pilots; for unlicensed personnel; for small vessels; for tank vessels; and for pilotage on the Great Lakes. The Committee intends that all manning provisions throughout this subtitle will be interpreted to be consistent with one another.

**CHAPTER 81—GENERAL**

## Sec.

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[8108.]	Repealed.]

## HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Chapter 81 provides for the composition, citizenship, working hours, and other limitations affecting the complement of licensed individuals and crew on certain vessels, a safety watch onboard passenger vessels, membership in the Naval Reserve for certain deck and engineer officers, and penalties for violating, and regulatory authority for implementing its provisions.

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2018—Pub. L. 115-282, title VI, §601(c)(3)(A), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4289, struck out item 8108 “Merchant Marine Personnel Advisory Committee”.

2014—Pub. L. 113-281, title III, §310(b), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3047, added item 8108.

2010—Pub. L. 111-281, title IX, §§903(c)(1), 912(b), Oct. 15, 2010, 124 Stat. 3011, 3017, inserted period at end of item 8106 and added item 8107.

2006—Pub. L. 109-241, title III, §312(d), July 11, 2006, 120 Stat. 534, added item 8106.

Pub. L. 109-163, div. A, title V, §515(f)(3)(C), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3236, substituted “Citizenship and Navy Reserve requirements” for “Citizenship and Naval Reserve requirements” in item 8103.

1996—Pub. L. 104-324, title XI, §1146(b), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3993, added item 8105.

1990—Pub. L. 101-595, title VI, §603(7)(B), Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 2993, struck out item 8105 “Regulations”.

**§ 8101. Complement of inspected vessels**

(a) The certificate of inspection issued to a vessel under part B of this subtitle shall state the complement of licensed individuals and crew (including lifeboatmen) considered by the Secretary to be necessary for safe operation. A manning requirement imposed on—

(1) a sailing school vessel shall consider the participation of sailing school instructors and sailing school students in the operation of that vessel;

(2) a mobile offshore drilling unit shall consider the specialized nature of the unit; and

(3) a tank vessel shall consider the navigation, cargo handling, and maintenance functions of that vessel for protection of life, property, and the environment.

(b) The Secretary may modify the complement, by endorsement on the certificate, for reasons of changed conditions or employment.

(c) A requirement made under this section by an authorized official may be appealed to the Secretary under prescribed regulations.

(d) A vessel to which this section applies may not be operated without having in its service the complement required in the certificate of inspection.

(e) When a vessel is deprived of the service of a member of its complement without the consent, fault, or collusion of the owner, charterer, managing operator, agent, master, or individual