

Commission on matters related to the significant action.

(2) **ADVICE, REPORTS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS.**—The Committee shall submit, in writing, to the Commission its advice, reports, and recommendations, in a form and at a frequency determined appropriate by the Committee.

(3) **EXPLANATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN.**—Not later than 60 days after the date on which the Commission receives recommendations from the Committee under paragraph (2), the Commission shall—

(A) publish the recommendations on a public website; and

(B) respond, in writing, to the Committee regarding the recommendations, including by providing an explanation of actions taken regarding the recommendations.

(4) **SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.**—The Commission shall submit to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate the advice, reports, and recommendations received from the Committee under paragraph (2).

(j) **OBSERVERS.**—The Commission may designate a representative to—

(1) attend any meeting of the Committee; and

(2) participate as an observer at such meeting.

(k) **TERMINATION.**—The Committee shall terminate on September 30, 2029.

(Added Pub. L. 116-283, div. G, title LVXXXVI [LXXXVII], §8604(a), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 4762.)

PART C—MISCELLANEOUS

**CHAPTER 441—EVIDENCE OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION**

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**§ 44101. Application**

This chapter applies to a vessel that—

(1) has berth or stateroom accommodations for at least 50 passengers; and

(2) boards passengers at a port in the United States.

(Pub. L. 109-304, §7, Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1554.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised Section | Source (U.S. Code)                 | Source (Statutes at Large)  |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 44101 .....     | 46 App.:817d(a) (6th-28th words).  | Pub. L. 89-777, §§2(a) (6th-28th words), 3(a) (15th-36th words), Nov. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 1356, 1357. |
|                 | 46 App.:817e(a) (15th-36th words). |   |

**§ 44102. Financial responsibility to indemnify passengers for nonperformance of transportation**

(a) **FILING REQUIREMENT.**—A person in the United States may not arrange, offer, advertise, or provide transportation on a vessel to which this chapter applies unless the person has filed with the Federal Maritime Commission evidence of financial responsibility to indemnify passengers for nonperformance of the transportation.

(b) **SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE.**—To satisfy subsection (a), a person must file—

(1) information the Commission considers necessary; or

(2) a copy of a bond or other security, in such form as the Commission by regulation may require.

(c) **AUTHORIZED ISSUER OF BOND.**—If a bond is filed, it must be issued by a bonding company authorized to do business in the United States.

(Pub. L. 109-304, §7, Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1554.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Revised Section | Source (U.S. Code)                                | Source (Statutes at Large)  |
|-----------------|---|---|
| 44102 .....     | 46 App.:817e(a) (1st-14th, 37th-last words), (b). | Pub. L. 89-777, §3(a) (1st-14th, 37th-last words), (b), Nov. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 1357; Pub. L. 103-206, title III, §320, Dec. 20, 1993, 107 Stat. 2427. |

In subsection (c), the words “or any State thereof, or the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands or any territory or possession of the United States” are omitted as unnecessary because of the definition of “United States” in chapter 1 of the revised title.

**§ 44103. Financial responsibility to pay liability for death or injury**

(a) **GENERAL REQUIREMENT.**—The owner or charterer of a vessel to which this chapter applies shall establish, under regulations prescribed by the Federal Maritime Commission, financial responsibility to meet liability for death or injury to passengers or other individuals on a voyage to or from a port in the United States.

(b) **AMOUNTS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The amount of financial responsibility required under subsection (a) shall be based on the number of passenger accommodations as follows:

(A) \$20,000 for each of the first 500 passenger accommodations.

(B) \$15,000 for each additional passenger accommodation between 501 and 1,000.

(C) \$10,000 for each additional passenger accommodation between 1,001 and 1,500.

(D) \$5,000 for each additional passenger accommodation over 1,500.

(2) **MULTIPLE VESSELS.**—If the owner or charterer is operating more than one vessel subject to this chapter, the amount of financial responsibility shall be based on the number of passenger accommodations on the vessel with the largest number of passenger accommodations.

(c) **AVAILABILITY TO PAY JUDGMENT.**—The amount determined under subsection (b) shall be