

- (B) such dry dock—
  - (i) is owned and operated by—
    - (I) a shipyard located in the United States that is an eligible owner specified under section 12103(b); or
    - (II) an affiliate of such a shipyard; or
  - (ii) is—
    - (I) owned by the State in which the shipyard is located or a political subdivision of that State; and
    - (II) operated by a shipyard located in the United States that is an eligible owner specified under section 12103(b).

(2) NOTICE TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 30 days after making a determination under paragraph (1), the Secretary of the Navy shall notify the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate of such determination.

(c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “floating dry dock” means equipment with wing walls and a fully submersible deck.

(Added Pub. L. 113-291, div. C, title XXXV, §3502(a), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3904; amended Pub. L. 114-328, div. C, title XXXV, §3508, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2780.)

**Editorial Notes**

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of the enactment of the Carl Levin and Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015, referred to in subsec. (a)(1)(C), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 113-291, which was approved Dec. 19, 2014.

AMENDMENTS

2016—Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 114-328 added subsec. (b) and redesignated former subsec. (b) as (c).

**§ 55123. Priority loading for coal**

A vessel engaged in the coastwise transportation of coal produced in the United States, from a port in the United States to another port in the United States, shall be given priority in loading at any of those ports ahead of a waiting vessel engaged in the export transportation of coal produced in the United States. However, if the Secretary of Transportation finds that it is in the national interest, the Secretary may eliminate this priority loading at any port. The Secretary shall report to Congress within 30 days an action eliminating priority loading under this section.

(Pub. L. 109-304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1642, §55301; renumbered §55123, Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title X, §1024(b)(1)(A), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3842.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55301 .....	46 App.:1121-1.	Pub. L. 96-387, §5, Oct. 7, 1980, 94 Stat. 1546; Pub. L. 97-31, §12(6), Aug. 6, 1981, 95 Stat. 159; Pub. L. 99-662, title IX, §947, Nov. 17, 1986, 100 Stat. 4200.

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AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-283 renumbered section 55301 of this title as this section.

**CHAPTER 553—PASSENGER AND CARGO PREFERENCES**

SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL<sup>1</sup>

- Sec. [55301. Renumbered.]
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  - 55303. Motor vehicles owned by United States Government personnel.
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  - 55315. Minimum tonnage. [55316, 55317. Repealed.]
  - 55318. Effect on other law.

SUBCHAPTER III—AMERICAN GREAT LAKES VESSELS

- 55331. Definitions.
- 55332. Designating American Great Lakes vessels.
- 55333. Exemption from restriction on transporting certain cargo.
- 55334. Restrictions on operations.
- 55335. Revocations and terminations of designations.
- 55336. Civil penalty.

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title X, §1024(b)(1)(B)(i), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3842, which directed amendment of the analysis for subchapter I of this chapter by striking out item 55301, was executed by striking item 55301 “Priority loading for coal” from this analysis to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

2013—Pub. L. 113-67, div. A, title VI, §602(b), Dec. 26, 2013, 127 Stat. 1188, struck out items 55316 “Financing the transportation of agricultural commodities” and 55317 “Termination of subchapter”.

SUBCHAPTER I—GOVERNMENT IMPELLED TRANSPORTATION

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-283, div. A, title X, §1024(b)(2), Jan. 1, 2021, 134 Stat. 3842, substituted “GOVERNMENT IMPELLED TRANSPORTATION” for “GENERAL” in heading.

**[§ 55301. Renumbered § 55123]**

**§ 55302. Transportation of United States Government personnel**

(a) IN GENERAL.—An officer or employee of the United States Government traveling by sea on

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Does not conform to subchapter heading.