

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-116 effective Dec. 29, 1981, see section 21(a) of Pub. L. 97-116, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

## ABOLITION OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE AND TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For abolition of Immigration and Naturalization Service, transfer of functions, and treatment of related references, see note set out under section 1551 of this title.

**§ 1204. Immediate relative and special immigrant visas**

A consular officer may, subject to the limitations provided in section 1201 of this title, issue an immigrant visa to a special immigrant or immediate relative as such upon satisfactory proof, under regulations prescribed under this chapter, that the applicant is entitled to special immigrant or immediate relative status.

(June 27, 1952, ch. 477, title II, ch. 3, § 224, 66 Stat. 195; Pub. L. 89-236, § 11(d), Oct. 3, 1965, 79 Stat. 918.)

**Editorial Notes**

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original, “this Act”, meaning act June 27, 1952, ch. 477, 66 Stat. 163, known as the Immigration and Nationality Act, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1101 of this title and Tables.

## AMENDMENTS

1965—Pub. L. 89-236 struck out reference to sections 1154 and 1155 of this title and substituted “special immigrant or immediate relative” for “nonquota immigrant”.

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## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1965 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendment by Pub. L. 89-236, see section 20 of Pub. L. 89-236, set out as a note under section 1151 of this title.

**§ 1205. Repealed. Pub. L. 87-301, § 24(a)(2), Sept. 26, 1961, 75 Stat. 657**

Section, Pub. L. 85-316, § 4, Sept. 11, 1957, 71 Stat. 639; Pub. L. 86-253, § 2, Sept. 9, 1959, 73 Stat. 490; Pub. L. 86-648, § 7, July 14, 1960, 74 Stat. 505, related to nonquota immigrant visas for eligible orphans.

## PART IV—INSPECTION, APPREHENSION, EXAMINATION, EXCLUSION, AND REMOVAL

**§ 1221. Lists of alien and citizen passengers arriving and departing****(a) Arrival manifests**

For each commercial vessel or aircraft transporting any person to any seaport or airport of the United States from any place outside the United States, it shall be the duty of an appropriate official specified in subsection (d) to provide to any United States border officer (as defined in subsection (i)) at that port manifest information about each passenger, crew member,

and other occupant transported on such vessel or aircraft prior to arrival at that port.

**(b) Departure manifests**

For each commercial vessel or aircraft taking passengers on board at any seaport or airport of the United States, who are destined to any place outside the United States, it shall be the duty of an appropriate official specified in subsection (d) to provide any United States border officer (as defined in subsection (i)) before departure from such port manifest information about each passenger, crew member, and other occupant to be transported.

**(c) Contents of manifest**

The information to be provided with respect to each person listed on a manifest required to be provided under subsection (a) or (b) shall include—

- (1) complete name;
- (2) date of birth;
- (3) citizenship;
- (4) sex;
- (5) passport number and country of issuance;
- (6) country of residence;
- (7) United States visa number, date, and place of issuance, where applicable;
- (8) alien registration number, where applicable;
- (9) United States address while in the United States; and
- (10) such other information the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Treasury determines as being necessary for the identification of the persons transported and for the enforcement of the immigration laws and to protect safety and national security.

**(d) Appropriate officials specified**

An appropriate official specified in this subsection is the master or commanding officer, or authorized agent, owner, or consignee, of the commercial vessel or aircraft concerned.

**(e) Deadline for requirement of electronic transmission of manifest information**

Not later than January 1, 2003, manifest information required to be provided under subsection (a) or (b) shall be transmitted electronically by the appropriate official specified in subsection (d) to an immigration officer.

**(f) Prohibition**

No operator of any private or public carrier that is under a duty to provide manifest information under this section shall be granted clearance papers until the appropriate official specified in subsection (d) has complied with the requirements of this subsection, except that, in the case of commercial vessels or aircraft that the Attorney General determines are making regular trips to the United States, the Attorney General may, when expedient, arrange for the provision of manifest information of persons departing the United States at a later date.

**(g) Penalties against noncomplying shipments, aircraft, or carriers**

If it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Attorney General that an appropriate official specified in subsection (d), any public or private car-