

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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

Act Apr. 5, 1906, abolished the grade of commercial agent and commercial agent's function of helping to gather foreign trade information, reference to which formerly appeared in the last sentence of this section. Such last sentence was subsequently repealed by Act Aug. 13, 1946.

**Executive Documents**

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

**§ 176. Collection of commercial statistics**

A purpose of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce is the collection, arrangement, and classification of such statistical information as may be procured, showing, or tending to show, each year the condition of the manufactures, domestic trade, currency, and banks of the several States and Territories.

(R.S. §335; Feb. 27, 1877, ch. 69, §1, 19 Stat. 241; Aug. 23, 1912, ch. 350, §1, 37 Stat. 407.)

**Editorial Notes**

## CODIFICATION

R.S. §335 derived from Res. June 15, 1844, No. 16, 5 Stat. 719.

## AMENDMENTS

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

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**§ 176a. Confidential nature of information furnished Bureau**

Any statistical information furnished in confidence to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce by individuals, corporations, and firms shall be held to be confidential, and shall be used only for the statistical purposes for which it is supplied. Except as provided in subchapter III of chapter 35 of title 44, the Director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce shall not permit anyone other than the sworn employees of the Bureau to examine such individual reports, nor shall he permit any statistics of domestic commerce to be published in such manner as to reveal the identity of the individual, corporation, or firm furnishing such data.

(Jan. 27, 1938, ch. 11, §1, 52 Stat. 8; Pub. L. 107-347, title V, §526(a), Dec. 17, 2002, 116 Stat.

2969; Pub. L. 115-435, title III, §302(c)(4), Jan. 14, 2019, 132 Stat. 5553.)

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## AMENDMENTS

2019—Pub. L. 115-435 substituted “subchapter III of chapter 35 of title 44” for “the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002”.

2002—Pub. L. 107-347 substituted “Except as provided in the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002, the” for “The”.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2019 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-435 effective 180 days after Jan. 14, 2019, see section 403 of Pub. L. 115-435, set out as a note under section 306 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

## TRANSITIONAL AND SAVINGS PROVISIONS

For transitional and savings provisions related to the amendment of this section and other provisions of law by title III of Pub. L. 115-435, see section 302(d) of Pub. L. 115-435, set out as a note under section 3561 of Title 44, Public Printing and Documents.

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**§ 176b. Repealed. June 25, 1948, ch. 645, § 21, 62 Stat. 862**

Section, act Jan. 27, 1938, ch. 11, §2, 52 Stat. 8, related to disclosure by employee of information. See section 1905 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Section 20 of act June 25, 1948, provided that the repeal of this section shall be effective Sept. 1, 1948.

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

Section, acts July 16, 1892, ch. 196, §1, 27 Stat. 197; Mar. 3, 1893, ch. 211, §1, 27 Stat. 689; 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, related to returns of exports to foreign countries leaving the United States by rail. 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.

**§ 178. Collection of statistics of foreign and interstate commerce and transportation**

It shall be the duty of the officer in charge of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce to gather and collate statistics and facts relating to commerce with foreign nations and