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

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2023—Pub. L. 118–31, div. C, title XXXV, §3521(a)(2), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 819, added item 55301.

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

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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. Report on administration of programs by other Federal departments and agencies

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Maritime Administration shall annually submit to Congress a report on the administration by—

¹ So in original. Does not conform to subchapter heading.

(1) the Department of Defense of section 2631 of title 10; and

(2) other Federal departments and agencies of programs the Administrator determines are subject to section 55305 of this title.

(b) CONTENTS.—Each annual report required under subsection (a) shall include, for each Federal department or agency that administers a program covered by the report—

(1) the gross tonnage of cargo (equipment, materials, or agricultural products), expressed by type of cargo, transported on United States flag vessels as compared to on foreign vessels; and

(2) the total number of United States flag vessels and total number of foreign vessels contracted by each department or agency.

(c) AGENCY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than January 31 of each year, the head of each Federal department or agency that administers a program covered by a report required under subsection (a) shall submit to the Administrator of the Maritime Administration the information described in subsection (b) for that department or agency.

(Added Pub. L. 118–31, div. C, title XXXV, §3521(a)(1), Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 819.)

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 55301 was renumbered section 55123 of this title.

§ 55302. Transportation of United States Government personnel

(a) IN GENERAL.—An officer or employee of the United States Government traveling by sea on official business overseas or to or from a territory or possession of the United States shall travel and transport personal effects on a vessel documented under the laws of the United States if such a vessel is available, unless the necessity of the mission requires the use of a foreign vessel.

(b) REGULATIONS.—The Administrator of General Services shall prescribe regulations under which agencies may not pay for or reimburse an officer or employee for travel or transportation expenses incurred on a foreign vessel in the absence of satisfactory proof of the necessity of using the vessel.

(Pub. L. 109–304, §8(c), Oct. 6, 2006, 120 Stat. 1642.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
55302	46 App.:1241(a).	June 29, 1936, ch. 858, title IX, §901(a), 49 Stat. 2015; Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 936, 68 Stat. 832; Pub. L. 104–316, title I, §125, Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3839.

In subsection (a), the words “by sea” are added for clarity. The words “a territory or possession of the United States” are substituted for “any of the possessions of the United States” for consistency in the revised title.