

cially attached to the diplomatic missions of the United States in those nations with which the United States is extensively engaged in maritime commerce. Expenses for the maintenance of such Coast Guard attachés abroad, including office rental and pay of employees and allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light, may be defrayed by the Coast Guard. (Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 507, §150; renumbered §711, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Experience since the war has indicated the necessity for making provision for the assignment of Coast Guard officers to diplomatic missions in those foreign countries which are extensively engaged in maritime commerce with the United States. This is largely the result of duties in connection with inspection of merchant vessels.

This section authorizes the designation, with the consent of the State Department, of Coast Guard officers to be officially attached to diplomatic missions of the United States. Although Coast Guard advice on Coast Guard matters is always available to our diplomatic missions, in those locations where such advice and information are frequently sought, it is felt that the most effective utilization of Coast Guard services would be achieved by having Coast Guard officers attached to such missions. Provision for customs officers to be attached to diplomatic missions is contained in the act of March 4, 1923, as amended, 42 Stat. 1453 (title 19, U.S.C., 1946 ed., §6). Before the transfer in 1939 of the Foreign Agriculture Service to the State Department, representatives of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the Department of Agriculture stationed abroad were agricultural attachés. Act of June 5, 1930, 46 Stat. 498 (title 7, U.S.C., 1946 ed., §542(a)). 81st Congress, House Report No. 557.

#### Editorial Notes

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 711 was renumbered section 3712 of this title.

##### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 150 of this title as this section.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION ITEMS IN SUPPORT OF THE COAST GUARD ATTACHÉ PROGRAM

Pub. L. 113-126, title III, §312, July 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 1399, provided that: “Notwithstanding any other limitation on the amount of funds that may be used for official representation items, the Secretary of Homeland Security may use funds made available to the Secretary through the National Intelligence Program for necessary expenses for intelligence analysis and operations coordination activities for official representation items in support of the Coast Guard Attaché Program.”

#### § 712. Contracts with Government-owned establishments for work and material

(a) IN GENERAL.—All orders or contracts for work or material, under authorization of law, placed with Government-owned establishments by the Coast Guard, shall be considered as obligations in the same manner as provided for similar orders or contracts placed with private contractors, and appropriations for such work or material shall remain available for payment

therefor as in the case of orders or contracts placed with private contractors.

(b) ORDERS AND AGREEMENTS FOR INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES.—Under this section, the Coast Guard industrial activities may accept orders from and enter into reimbursable agreements with establishments, agencies, and departments of the Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security.

(Aug. 4, 1949, ch. 393, 63 Stat. 507, §151; Pub. L. 111-281, title II, §202, Oct. 15, 2010, 124 Stat. 2909; renumbered §712, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on title 14, U.S.C., 1946 ed., §31c (June 6, 1942, ch. 384, 56 Stat. 328). 81st Congress, House Report No. 557.

#### Editorial Notes

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 712 was renumbered section 3713 of this title.

##### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 151 of this title as this section.

2010—Pub. L. 111-281 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

#### § 713. Nonappropriated fund instrumentalities: contracts with other agencies and instrumentalities to provide or obtain goods and services

The Coast Guard Exchange System, or a morale, welfare, and recreation system of the Coast Guard, may enter into a contract or other agreement with any element or instrumentality of the Coast Guard or with another Federal department, agency, or instrumentality to provide or obtain goods and services beneficial to the efficient management and operation of the Coast Guard Exchange System or that morale, welfare, and recreation system.

(Added Pub. L. 108-293, title II, §202(a), Aug. 9, 2004, 118 Stat. 1031, §152; renumbered §713, Pub. L. 115-282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 713 was renumbered section 3714 of this title.

##### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-282 renumbered section 152 of this title as this section.

#### § 714. Arctic maritime domain awareness

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commandant shall improve maritime domain awareness in the Arctic—

(1) by promoting interagency cooperation and coordination;

(2) by employing joint, interagency, and international capabilities; and

(3) by facilitating the sharing of information, intelligence, and data related to the Arctic maritime domain between the Coast Guard

and departments and agencies listed in subsection (b).

(b) **COORDINATION.**—The Commandant shall seek to coordinate the collection, sharing, and use of information, intelligence, and data related to the Arctic maritime domain between the Coast Guard and the following:

- (1) The Department of Homeland Security.
- (2) The Department of Defense.
- (3) The Department of Transportation.
- (4) The Department of State.
- (5) The Department of the Interior.
- (6) The National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
- (7) The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
- (8) The Environmental Protection Agency.
- (9) The National Science Foundation.
- (10) The Arctic Research Commission.
- (11) Any Federal agency or commission or State the Commandant determines is appropriate.

(c) **COOPERATION.**—The Commandant and the head of a department or agency listed in subsection (b) may by agreement, on a reimbursable basis or otherwise, share personnel, services, equipment, and facilities to carry out the requirements of this section.

(d) **5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN.**—Not later than January 1, 2016 and every 5 years thereafter, the Commandant shall submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives a 5-year strategic plan to guide inter-agency and international intergovernmental cooperation and coordination for the purpose of improving maritime domain awareness in the Arctic.

(e) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section the term “Arctic” has the meaning given that term in section 112 of the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4111).

(Added Pub. L. 113–281, title V, §502(a), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3057, §154; renumbered §714, Pub. L. 115–282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115–282 renumbered section 154 of this title as this section.

#### § 715. Oceanographic research

The Coast Guard shall conduct such oceanographic research, use such equipment or instruments, and collect and analyze such oceanographic data, in cooperation with other agencies of the Government, or not, as may be in the national interest.

(Added Pub. L. 87–396, §1, Oct. 5, 1961, 75 Stat. 827, §94; renumbered §715, Pub. L. 115–282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115–282 renumbered section 94 of this title as this section.

#### § 716. Arctic maritime transportation

(a) **PURPOSE.**—The purpose of this section is to ensure safe and secure maritime shipping in the Arctic including the availability of aids to navigation, vessel escorts, spill response capability, and maritime search and rescue in the Arctic.

(b) **INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION AGREEMENTS.**—To carry out the purpose of this section, the Secretary is encouraged to enter into negotiations through the International Maritime Organization to conclude and execute agreements to promote coordinated action among the United States, Russia, Canada, Iceland, Norway, and Denmark and other seafaring and Arctic nations to ensure, in the Arctic—

- (1) placement and maintenance of aids to navigation;
- (2) appropriate marine safety, tug, and salvage capabilities;
- (3) oil spill prevention and response capability;
- (4) maritime domain awareness, including long-range vessel tracking; and
- (5) search and rescue.

(c) **COORDINATION BY COMMITTEE ON THE MARITIME TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.**—The Committee on the Maritime Transportation System established under section 55501<sup>1</sup> of title 46, United States Code, shall coordinate the establishment of domestic transportation policies in the Arctic necessary to carry out the purpose of this section.

(d) **AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS.**—The Secretary may, subject to the availability of appropriations, enter into cooperative agreements, contracts, or other agreements with, or make grants to, individuals and governments to carry out the purpose of this section or any agreements established under subsection (b).

(e) **ICEBREAKING.**—The Secretary shall promote safe maritime navigation by means of icebreaking where necessary, feasible, and effective to carry out the purposes of this section.

(f) **ARCTIC DEFINITION.**—In this section, the term “Arctic” has the meaning given such term in section 112 of the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4111).

(Added Pub. L. 113–281, title V, §501(a), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 3056, §90; amended Pub. L. 115–232, div. C, title XXXV, §3533(d), Aug. 13, 2018, 132 Stat. 2321; renumbered §716, Pub. L. 115–282, title I, §106(b), Dec. 4, 2018, 132 Stat. 4203.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 55501 of title 46, United States Code, referred to in subsec. (c), was redesignated section 50401 of title 46 by Pub. L. 117–81, div. C, title XXXV, §3512(a)(3), Dec. 27, 2021, 135 Stat. 2239.

##### AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115–282 renumbered section 90 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 115–232 struck out question mark after “the term ‘Arctic’”.

#### § 717. Agreements

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—In carrying out section 504(a)(4), the Commandant may—

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.