

Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. All functions of offices eliminated were already vested in Secretary of the Treasury by Reorg. Plan No. 26 of 1950, eff. July 31, 1950, 15 F.R. 4935, 64 Stat. 1280, also set out in the Appendix to Title 5.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 45, 46 of this title.

§ 45. Permit for delivery; retention of inferior grades; reexamination; partial delivery

If, after an examination as provided in section 44 of this title, the tea is found by the examiner to be equal in purity, quality, and fitness for consumption to the standards provided in sections 41 to 44 of this title, and no reexamination shall be demanded by the collector as provided in section 47 of this title, a permit shall at once be granted to the importer or consignee declaring the tea free from the control of the customs authorities; but if on examination such tea, or merchandise described as tea, is found, in the opinion of the examiner, to be inferior in purity, quality, and fitness for consumption to the said standards the importer or consignee shall be immediately notified, and the tea, or merchandise described as tea, shall not be released by the customhouse, unless on a reexamination called for by the importer or consignee the finding of the examiner shall be found to be erroneous. Should a portion of the invoice be passed by the examiner, a permit shall be granted for that portion and the remainder held for further examination, as provided in said section 47.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 5, 29 Stat. 605.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For abolition of the offices of collector of customs, see note set out under section 44 of this title.

§ 46. Examiners; examination according to usages of trade

The examination provided for by this chapter shall be made by a duly qualified examiner at a port where standard samples are established, and where the merchandise is entered at ports where there is no qualified examiner, the examination shall be made at that one of said ports which is nearest the port of entry, and that for this purpose samples of the merchandise, obtained in the manner prescribed by section 44 of this title, shall be forwarded to the proper port by the collector or chief officer at the port of entry. In all cases of examination or reexamination of teas, or merchandise described as tea, by examiners or the United States Board of Tea Appeals under the provisions of this chapter, the purity, quality, and fitness for consumption of the same shall be tested according to the usages and customs of the tea trade, including the testing of an infusion of the same in boiling water and, if necessary, chemical analysis.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 7, 29 Stat. 606; May 31, 1920, ch. 217, 41 Stat. 712, 713.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For abolition of the offices of collector of customs, see note set out under section 44 of this title.

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§ 46a. Deposit of fee before examination of tea

No tea or merchandise described as tea shall be examined for importation into the United States, or released by the Customs Service, under this chapter unless the importer or consignee of such tea or merchandise has paid, before the examination, a fee in an amount equal to—

- (1) 10 cents for each hundred weight or fraction thereof of the tea or merchandise; or
- (2) the approximate cost of the examinations;

whichever amount is less. Such fee shall be deposited into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 13, formerly act July 1, 1941, ch. 269, title II, 55 Stat. 478; renumbered § 13 of act Mar. 2, 1897, and amended Aug. 10, 1993, Pub. L. 103-66, title IV, § 4401, 107 Stat. 378.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those comprising this section were contained in the following appropriation act: June 27, 1940, ch. 437, title I, 54 Stat. 632.

AMENDMENTS

1993—Pub. L. 103-66, § 4401(2), amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: "On and after July 1, 1940, no tea, or merchandise described as tea, shall be examined for importation into the United States, or released by the Collector, under this chapter unless the importer or consignee of such tea or merchandise, prior to such examination, has paid for deposit into the Treasury of the United States as miscellaneous receipts, a fee of 3.5 cents for each hundred weight or fraction thereof of such tea and merchandise."

§ 47. United States Board of Tea Appeals; permit for delivery; exportation or destruction of inferior grades

In case the collector, importer, or consignee shall protest against the finding of the examiner, the matter in dispute shall be referred for decision to the United States Board of Tea Appeals, to consist of three employees of the Department of Health and Human Services, to be designated by the Secretary of Health and Human Services. If such board shall, after due examination, find the tea in question to be equal in purity, quality, and fitness for consumption to the proper standards, a permit shall be issued by the collector for its release and delivery to the importer; but if upon such final reexamination by such board the tea shall be found to be inferior in purity, quality, and fitness for consumption to the said standards, the importer or consignee shall give a bond, with security satisfactory to the collector, to export said tea, or merchandise described as tea, out of the limits of the United States within a period of six months after such final reexamination; and if the same shall not have been exported within the time specified, the collector, at the expiration of that time, shall cause the same to be destroyed.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 6, 29 Stat. 606; May 31, 1920, ch. 217, 41 Stat. 712, 713; 1940 Reorg. Plan No. IV, § 12, eff. June 30, 1940, 5 F.R. 2421, 54 Stat. 1237; 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 1, § 5, eff. Apr. 11, 1953,

18 F.R. 2053, 67 Stat. 631; Oct. 17, 1979, Pub. L. 96-88, title V, § 509(b), 93 Stat. 695.)

CHANGE OF NAME

“Department of Health and Human Services” substituted in text for “Department of Health, Education, and Welfare” and “Secretary of Health and Human Services” substituted for “Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare” pursuant to section 509(b) of Pub. L. 96-88, which is classified to section 3508(b) of Title 20, Education.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of Federal Security Administrator to Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare [now Health and Human Services], and of Food and Drug Administration to Federal Security Agency, see note set out under section 41 of this title.

For abolition of the offices of the collector of customs, see note set out under section 44 of this title.

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§ 48. Reexamination; findings by examiner; assistance of experts

In cases of reexamination of teas, or merchandise described as teas, by the United States Board of Tea Appeals in pursuance of the provisions of this chapter, samples of the tea, or merchandise described as tea, in dispute, for transmission to such board for its decision, shall be put up and sealed by the examiner in the presence of the importer or consignee if he so desires, and transmitted to such board, together with a copy of the finding of the examiner, setting forth the cause of condemnation and the claim or ground of the protest of the importer relating to the same, such samples, and the papers therewith, to be distinguished by such mark that the same may be identified. The decision of such board shall be in writing, signed by them, and transmitted, together with the record and samples, within three days after the rendition thereof, to the collector, who shall forthwith furnish the examiner and the importer or consignee with a copy of said decision or finding. The United States Board of Tea Appeals shall be authorized to obtain the advice, when necessary, of persons skilled in the examination of teas, who shall each receive for his services in any particular case a compensation not exceeding \$5.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 8, 29 Stat. 606; May 31, 1920, ch. 217, 41 Stat. 712.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

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§ 49. Reimporting rejected teas; forfeiture

No imported teas which have been rejected by a customs examiner or by the United States Board of Tea Appeals, and exported under the provisions of this chapter, shall be reimported into the United States under the penalty of forfeiture for a violation of this prohibition.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 9, 29 Stat. 606; May 31, 1920, ch. 217, 41 Stat. 712.)

§ 50. Regulations

The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall have the power to enforce the provisions of this chapter by appropriate regulations.

(Mar. 2, 1897, ch. 358, § 10, 29 Stat. 607; May 31, 1920, ch. 217, 41 Stat. 712; 1940 Reorg. Plan No. IV, § 12, eff. June 30, 1940, 5 F.R. 2421, 54 Stat. 1237; 1953 Reorg. Plan No. 1, § 5, eff. Apr. 11, 1953, 18 F.R. 2053, 67 Stat. 631; Oct. 17, 1979, Pub. L. 96-88, title V, § 509(b), 93 Stat. 695.)

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CHAPTER 3—FILLED MILK

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FEDERAL FOOD, DRUG, AND COSMETIC ACT

By virtue of act June 25, 1938, ch. 675, § 902(c), 52 Stat. 1059 [section 392(b) of this title], nothing contained in section 301 et seq. of this title shall be construed as in any way affecting, modifying, repealing, or superseding the provisions of sections 61 to 64 of this title.

BUREAU OF DAIRY INDUSTRY

General provisions, see sections 401 to 404 of Title 7, Agriculture.

CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in section 392 of this title.

§ 61. Definitions

Whenever used in this chapter—

(a) The term “person” includes an individual, partnership, corporation, or association;

(b) The term “interstate or foreign commerce” means commerce (1) between any State, Territory, or possession, or the District of Columbia, and any place outside thereof; (2) between points within the same State, Territory, or possession, or within the District of Columbia, but through any place outside thereof; or (3) within any Territory or possession, or within the District of Columbia; and

(c) The term “filled milk” means any milk, cream, or skimmed milk, whether or not condensed, evaporated, concentrated, powdered, dried, or desiccated, to which has been added, or which has been blended or compounded with, any fat or oil other than milk fat, so that the resulting product is in imitation or semblance of milk, cream, or skimmed milk, whether or not condensed, evaporated, concentrated, powdered, dried, or desiccated. This definition shall not in-