

16] of the Department of Transportation Act (Public Law 89-670, approved October 15, 1966; 80 Stat. 950) April 1, 1967, is hereby prescribed as the date on which the Department of Transportation Act shall take effect.

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§ 103. Federal Railroad Administration

(a) The Federal Railroad Administration is an administration in the Department of Transportation. To carry out all railroad safety laws of the United States, the Administration is divided on a geographical basis into at least 8 safety offices. The Secretary of Transportation is responsible for all acts taken under those laws and for ensuring that the laws are uniformly administered and enforced among the safety offices.

(b) The head of the Administration is the Administrator who is appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Administrator reports directly to the Secretary.

(c) The Administrator shall carry out—

(1) duties and powers related to railroad safety vested in the Secretary by section 20134(c) and chapters 203-211 of this title, and chapter 213 of this title in carrying out chapters 203-211; and

(2) additional duties and powers prescribed by the Secretary.

(d) A duty or power specified by subsection (c)(1) of this section may be transferred to another part of the Department only when specifically provided by law or a reorganization plan submitted under chapter 9 of title 5. A decision of the Administrator in carrying out those duties or powers and involving notice and hearing required by law is administratively final.

(e) Subject to the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 471 et seq.), the Secretary of Transportation may make, enter into, and perform such contracts, grants, leases, cooperative agreements, and other similar transactions with Federal or other public agencies (including State and local governments) and private organizations and persons, and make such payments, by way of advance or reimbursement, as the Secretary may determine to be necessary or appropriate to carry out functions of the Federal Railroad Administration. The authority of the Secretary granted by this subsection shall be carried out by the Administrator. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, no authority to enter into contracts or to make payments under this subsection shall be effective, except as provided for in appropriations Acts.

(Pub. L. 97-449, Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2414; Pub. L. 98-216, § 2(2), Feb. 14, 1984, 98 Stat. 5; Pub. L. 103-272, § 5(m)(1), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1375; Pub. L. 103-440, title II, § 216, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4624.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES PUB. L. 97-449

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
103(a)	49:1652(e)(1) (1st sentence related to FRA). 49:1652a.	Oct. 15, 1966, Pub. L. 89-670, §§ 3(e) (related to FRA) (1), (3), (4), 6(f)(3)(C) (related to FRA), 80 Stat. 932, 940. July 8, 1976, Pub. L. 94-348, § 6, 90 Stat. 820.

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES—CONTINUED PUB. L. 97-449

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
103(b)	49:1652(e) (related to FRA) (1) (2d, last sentences), (3) (last sentence).	
103(c)	49:1655(f)(3)(A).	Oct. 15, 1966, Pub. L. 89-670, § 6(f)(3)(A), 80 Stat. 940; Aug. 22, 1972, Pub. L. 92-401, § 6, 86 Stat. 617; Jan. 3, 1975, Pub. L. 93-633, § 113(e)(1), 88 Stat. 2163.
103(d)	49:1652(e)(3) (related to FRA) (less last sentence). 49:1652(e)(4) (related to FRA). 49:1655(f)(3)(C) (related to FRA).	

In subsection (a), the words “To carry out” are substituted for “for purposes of administering and enforcing” in 49:1652a for consistency and to eliminate surplus words. The words “under those laws” are substituted for “pursuant to Federal railroad safety laws” to eliminate surplus words. The words “is responsible” are substituted for “shall retain full and final responsibility” and “shall be responsible” to eliminate surplus words. The words “and for the establishment of all policies with respect to implementation of such laws” are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (b), the words “Each of these components” are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (c), the words “vested in the Secretary” are substituted for “as set forth in the statutes transferred to the Secretary” in 49:1655(f)(3)(A) for clarity and consistency. The words “section 6(e)(1), (2), and (6)(A) of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(e)(1), (2), and (6)(A))” are substituted for “subsection (e) of this section (other than subsection (e)(4) of this section)” in 49:1655(f)(3)(A) for clarity.

In subsection (d), the word “law” is substituted for “statute” in 49:1652(e)(4) for consistency. The words after “administratively final” in 49:1655(f)(3)(C) are omitted as unnecessary because of the restatement of the revised title and those laws giving a right to appeal.

PUB. L. 103-272

Section 5(m)(1) amends 49:103(c)(1) to include a reference to section 20134(c) of the revised title. The reference is included because 45:445 on which section 20134(c) is based provides that the duties and powers under that provision are to be carried out by the Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration rather than the Secretary of Transportation.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, referred to in subsec. (e), is act June 30, 1949, ch. 288, 63 Stat. 377, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 471 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 103-272 substituted “section 20134(c) and chapters 203-211 of this title, and chapter 213 of this title in carrying out chapters 203-211” for “section 6(e)(1), (2), and (6)(A) of the Department of Transportation Act (49 App. U.S.C. 1655(e)(1), (2), and (6)(A))”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 103-440 added subsec. (e).

1984—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 98-216 substituted “49 App. U.S.C.” for “49 U.S.C.”.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 322 of this title.

§ 104. Federal Highway Administration

(a) The Federal Highway Administration is an administration in the Department of Transportation.

(b)(1) The head of the Administration is the Administrator who is appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Administrator reports directly to the Secretary of Transportation.

(2) The Administration has a Deputy Federal Highway Administrator who is appointed by the Secretary, with the approval of the President. The Deputy Administrator shall carry out duties and powers prescribed by the Administrator.

(3) The Administration has an Assistant Federal Highway Administrator appointed in the competitive service by the Secretary, with the approval of the President. The Assistant Administrator is the chief engineer of the Administration. The Assistant Administrator shall carry out duties and powers prescribed by the Administrator.

(c) The Administrator shall carry out—

(1) duties and powers vested in the Secretary by chapter 4 of title 23 for highway safety programs, research, and development related to highway design, construction and maintenance, traffic control devices, identification and surveillance of accident locations, and highway-related aspects of pedestrian safety;

(2) duties and powers related to motor carrier safety vested in the Secretary by chapters 5 and 315 of this title; and

(3) additional duties and powers prescribed by the Secretary.

(d) A duty or power specified by subsection (c)(2) of this section may be transferred to another part of the Department only when specifically provided by law or a reorganization plan submitted under chapter 9 of title 5. A decision of the Administrator in carrying out those duties or powers and involving notice and hearing required by law is administratively final.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 101(d) and 144 of title 23, highway bridges determined to be unreasonable obstructions to navigation under the Truman-Hobbs Act may be funded from amounts set aside from the discretionary bridge program. The Secretary shall transfer these allocations and the responsibility for administration of these funds to the United States Coast Guard.

(Pub. L. 97-449, Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2415; Pub. L. 103-272, §§ 4(j)(2), 5(m)(2), July 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 1365, 1375; Pub. L. 104-324, title I, § 101(b)(1), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3905.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
104(a)	49:1652(e)(1) (1st sentence related to FHWA).	Oct. 15, 1966, Pub. L. 89-670, § 3(e) (related to FHWA) (1), (3), (4), 6(f)(3)(C) (related to FHWA), 80 Stat. 932, 940.
104(b)(1)	49:1652(e) (related to FHWA) (1) (less 1st sentence), (3) (last sentence).	
104(b)(2)	23:303(a)(1) (1st, 2d sentences).	
104(b)(3)	23:303(a)(1) (last sentence), (b), (c).	

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES—CONTINUED

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
104(c)	49:1655(f)(3)(B). 23:401 (note).	Oct. 15, 1966, Pub. L. 89-670, § 6(f)(3)(B), 80 Stat. 940; Jan. 3, 1975, Pub. L. 93-633, § 113(e)(2), 88 Stat. 2163. Sept. 9, 1966, Pub. L. 89-564, § 201(b)(1), 80 Stat. 735; Oct. 15, 1966, Pub. L. 89-670, § 8(h), 80 Stat. 943; restated Dec. 31, 1970, Pub. L. 91-605, § 202(a), 84 Stat. 1740.
104(d)	49:1652(e)(3) (related to FHWA) (less last sentence). 49:1652(e)(4) (related to FHWA). 49:1655(f)(3)(C) (related to FHWA).	

In subsection (b)(1), the words “Each of these components” are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (b)(2), the words “In addition to the Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration authorized by section 3(e) of the Department of Transportation Act” in 23:303(a)(1) (1st sentence) are omitted as surplus.

In subsection (b)(3), the words “in the competitive service” are substituted for “under the classified civil service” to conform to 5:2102. The text of 23:303(b), (c) is omitted as unnecessary because sections 322 and 323 of the revised title restate the authority of the Secretary of Transportation.

In subsection (c), the source provisions are consolidated. The words “The Administrator shall carry out duties and powers” are substituted for “The Secretary shall carry out through the Federal Highway Administration those provisions of the Highway Safety Act of 1966 . . . for” in 23:401 (note) and “carry out the functions, powers, and duties of the Secretary” in 49:1655(f)(3)(B) as being more precise, to eliminate unnecessary words, and for consistency. The words “vested in the Secretary” are substituted for “as set forth in the statutes transferred to the Secretary” in 49:1655(f)(3)(B) for clarity and consistency.

In subsection (d), the word “law” is substituted for “statute” in 49:1652(e)(4) for consistency. The words after “administratively final” in 49:1655(f)(3)(C) are omitted as unnecessary because of the restatement of the revised title and those laws giving the right to appeal.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Truman-Hobbs Act, referred to in subsec. (e), is act June 21, 1940, ch. 409, 54 Stat. 497, as amended, also known as the Hobbs Bridge Act, which is classified generally to subchapter II (§ 511 et seq.) of chapter 11 of Title 33, Navigation and Navigable Waters. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 104-324 added subsec. (e).

1994—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 103-272, § 4(j)(2), substituted “Administrator” for “Admininstrator” before “who is”.

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 103-272, § 5(m)(2), substituted “315” for “31”.

ELIMINATION OF REGIONAL OFFICE RESPONSIBILITIES

Pub. L. 105-178, title I, § 1220, June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 221, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—

“(1) ELIMINATION.—The Secretary [of Transportation] shall eliminate any programmatic decision-making responsibility of the regional offices of the Federal Highway Administration for the Federal-aid highway program as part of the Administration’s efforts to restructure its field organization.

“(2) ACTIVITIES.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary shall eliminate regional offices, create