

**§§ 1517 to 1519. Repealed. June 25, 1948, ch. 646, § 39, 62 Stat. 992, eff. Sept. 1, 1948**

Section 1517, act June 17, 1930, ch. 497, title IV, § 517, 46 Stat. 737, related to frivolous protest or appeal. See section 2641 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

Section 1518, acts June 10, 1890, ch. 407, § 12, 26 Stat. 136; May 27, 1908, ch. 205, § 3, 35 Stat. 406; Aug. 5, 1909, ch. 6, § 28, 36 Stat. 98; May 28, 1926, ch. 411, § 1, 44 Stat. 669; June 17, 1930, ch. 497, title IV, § 518, 46 Stat. 737, related to the judges of the United States Customs Court: their appointment, salary, retirement, vacancies, and powers; the control of the fiscal affairs and of the clerical force of the court; and the division of the court. See sections 251 to 254, 456, 1581, 2071, 2639, and 2640 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure. Last sentence of section, relating to the transfer of unexpended appropriations for salaries to be available for expenditures for the same purposes, was omitted as executed.

Section 1519, act June 17, 1930, ch. 497, title IV, § 519, 46 Stat. 739, related to publication of Customs Court's decisions. See section 255 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

**§ 1520. Refunds and errors**

**(a) Cases in which refunds authorized**

The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to refund duties or other receipts in the following cases:

(1) *Excess deposits*.—Whenever it is ascertained on liquidation or reliquidation of an entry or reconciliation that more money has been deposited or paid as duties than was required by law to be so deposited or paid.

(2) *Fees, charges, and exactions*.—Whenever it is determined in the manner required by law that any fees, charges, or exactions, other than duties and taxes, have been erroneously or excessively collected.

(3) *Fines, penalties, and forfeitures*.—Whenever money has been deposited in the Treasury on account of a fine, penalty, or forfeiture which did not accrue, or which is finally determined to have accrued in an amount less than that so deposited, or which is mitigated to an amount less than that so deposited or is remitted.

(4) *Prior to liquidation*.—Prior to the liquidation of an entry or reconciliation, whenever an importer of record declares or it is ascertained that excess duties, fees, charges, or exactions have been deposited or paid.

**(b) Authorization of appropriations**

The necessary moneys to make such refunds are authorized to be appropriated annually from the general fund of the Treasury.

**(c) Repealed. Pub. L. 108-429, title II, § 2105, Dec. 3, 2004, 118 Stat. 2598**

**(d) Goods qualifying under free trade agreement rules of origin**

Notwithstanding the fact that a valid protest was not filed, the Customs Service may, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary, reliquidate an entry to refund any excess duties (including any merchandise processing fees) paid on a good qualifying under the rules of origin set out in section 3332 of this title, section 202 of the United States-Chile Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, or section 4033 of this title for which no claim for preferential tariff treatment was made at the time of impor-

tation if the importer, within 1 year after the date of importation, files, in accordance with those regulations, a claim that includes—

(1) a written declaration that the good qualified under the applicable rules at the time of importation;

(2) copies of all applicable NAFTA Certificates of Origin (as defined in section 1508(b)(1) of this title), or other certificates or certifications of origin, as the case may be; and

(3) such other documentation relating to the importation of the goods as the Customs Service may require.

(June 17, 1930, ch. 497, title IV, § 520, 46 Stat. 739; June 26, 1934, ch. 756, § 2, 48 Stat. 1225; June 25, 1938, ch. 679, § 18, 52 Stat. 1086; Aug. 8, 1953, ch. 397, § 20, 67 Stat. 519; Pub. L. 91-271, title II, § 210, June 2, 1970, 84 Stat. 287; Pub. L. 95-410, title II, § 210, Oct. 3, 1978, 92 Stat. 903; Pub. L. 98-573, title II, §§ 210(b), 212(c)(B), formerly § 212(b)(7)(B), Oct. 30, 1984, 98 Stat. 2977, 2984, renumbered Pub. L. 99-514, title XVIII, § 1889(3), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2925; Pub. L. 103-182, title II, § 206, title VI, §§ 642(b), 646, Dec. 8, 1993, 107 Stat. 2095, 2205, 2207; Pub. L. 106-36, title II, § 2408(a), June 25, 1999, 113 Stat. 171; Pub. L. 108-77, title II, § 206, Sept. 3, 2003, 117 Stat. 931; Pub. L. 108-429, title II, § 2105, Dec. 3, 2004, 118 Stat. 2598; Pub. L. 109-53, title II, § 207, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 485; Pub. L. 109-280, title XIV, § 1635(b), Aug. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 1170; Pub. L. 109-283, title II, § 205, Sept. 26, 2006, 120 Stat. 1203; Pub. L. 110-138, title II, § 206, Dec. 14, 2007, 121 Stat. 1476.)

AMENDMENT OF SUBSECTION (d)

*Pub. L. 110-138, title I, § 107(a), title II, § 206, Dec. 14, 2007, 121 Stat. 1459, 1476, provided that, effective on the date on which the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement enters into force, subsection (d) of this section is amended in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by striking “or” and by striking “for which” and inserting “, or section 203 of the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act for which”.*

*Pub. L. 109-283, title I, § 107(a), title II, § 205, Sept. 26, 2006, 120 Stat. 1195, 1203, provided that, effective on the date on which the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement enters into force, subsection (d) of this section is amended—*

*(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by striking “or” and by striking “for which” and inserting “, or section 202 of the United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act for which”; and*

*(2) in paragraph (3), by inserting “and information” after “documentation”.*

AMENDMENT OF SECTION

*For termination of amendment by section 107(c) of Pub. L. 110-138, see Effective and Termination Dates of 2007 Amendment note below.*

*For termination of amendment by section 107(c) of Pub. L. 109-283, see Effective and Termination Dates of 2006 Amendment note below.*

*For termination of amendment by section 107(d) of Pub. L. 109-53, see Effective and Termination Dates of 2005 Amendment note below.*

*For termination of amendment by section 107(c) of Pub. L. 108-77, see Effective and Termination Dates of 2003 Amendment note below.*