

SEC. 4209. CIVIL PENALTIES RELATING TO HOUSEHOLD GOODS BROKERS AND UNAUTHORIZED TRANSPORTATION.

Section 14901(d) of title 49, United States Code, is amended--

(1) by striking "If a carrier" and inserting the following:

"(1) In general.--If a carrier"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(2) Estimate of broker without carrier agreement.--If a broker for transportation of household goods subject to jurisdiction under subchapter I of chapter 135 makes an estimate of the cost of transporting any such goods before entering into an agreement with a carrier to provide transportation of household goods subject to such jurisdiction, the broker is liable to the United States for a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 for each violation.

"(3) Unauthorized transportation.--If a person provides transportation of household goods subject to jurisdiction under subchapter I of chapter 135 or provides broker services for such transportation without being registered under chapter 139 to provide such transportation or services as a motor carrier or broker, as the case may be, such person is liable to the United States for a civil penalty of not less than \$25,000 for each violation."