

1 (vii) The Chair of the Federal Mari-
2 time Commission.

3 (viii) The chief United States delegate
4 to the International Maritime Organiza-
5 tion.

6 (B) Representatives from recognized classi-
7 fication societies, including the American Bu-
8 reau of Shipping.

9 (C) Representatives of industry, includ-
10 ing—

11 (i) owners and operators of vessels in
12 domestic and foreign commerce of the
13 United States;

14 (ii) shipbuilders; and

15 (iii) other representatives of industry
16 the Secretary determines appropriate.

17 (D) Individuals with a merchant mariner
18 credential, as defined in section 2101 of title
19 46, United States Code.

20 (E) Representatives of maritime labor or-
21 ganizations.

22 (F) Experts in maritime safety and regu-
23 latory matters.

24 (G) Other stakeholders the Secretary de-
25 termines appropriate.

1 (2) PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT; VACANCIES.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—A member of the rule-
3 making committee shall be appointed for the
4 life of the rulemaking committee.

5 (B) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the rule-
6 making committee—

7 (i) shall not affect the powers of the
8 rulemaking committee; and

9 (ii) shall be filled in the same manner
10 as the original appointment.

11 (3) CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON.—

12 The Secretary shall select a Chairperson and Vice
13 Chairperson from among the members of the rule-
14 making committee.

15 (d) MEETINGS.—

16 (1) INITIAL MEETING.—Not later than 180
17 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the
18 Secretary shall convene the rulemaking committee
19 for the first meeting of the rulemaking committee.

20 (2) QUORUM.—A majority of the members of
21 the rulemaking committee shall constitute a quorum,
22 but a lesser number of members may hold hearings.

23 (e) DUTIES OF COMMITTEE.—

24 (1) CONSIDERATIONS.—The rulemaking com-
25 mittee shall consider each of the following: