

## **22.304 Variations, tolerances, and exemptions.**

(a) The Secretary of Labor, under [40 U.S.C.3706](#), upon the Secretary's initiative or at the request of any *Federal agency*, may provide reasonable limitations and allow variations, tolerances, and exemptions to and from any or all provisions of the statute (see 29 CFR5.15).

(b) The Secretary of Labor *may* make variations, tolerances, and exemptions from the regulatory requirements of applicable parts of 29 CFR when the Secretary finds that such action is necessary and proper in the public interest or to prevent injustice and undue hardship (see 29 CFR5.14).

**Parent topic:** [Subpart 22.3 - Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act](#)