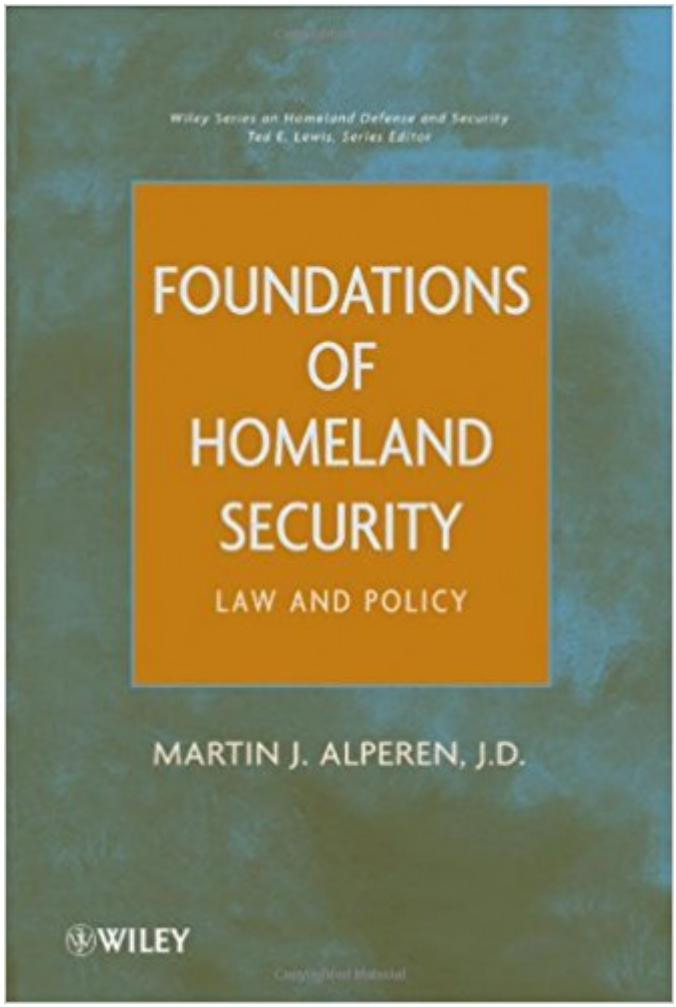
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Synopsis

This book is the complete guide to understanding the structure of homeland security Ã¢â ¬â œ its underlying law and policy. Created from a broad and in depth, yet edited collection of statutes, policy papers, presidential directives, and other documents, it cultivates a detailed understanding of the foundations of homeland security. It is arranged in a topic-by-topic format structured to include only the documents and statues that affect a particular subject, making for much easier understanding. Thus, the chapter on FEMA contains only the portions of the statutes and other documents that relate to FEMA. There are twenty-five topic areas. Ã Â It contains hundreds of end notes, references, Ã Â and suggestions for further study. This book offers important legal guidance that students, law enforcement officers, lawyers, and other homeland security professionals need to accurately interpret, understand, and apply homeland security policy. The Introduction provides an in-depth overview of the subject of homeland security and includes a discussion of what is homeland security, definitions of homeland security and terrorism, what is homeland security law, its development, and what is a homeland security curriculum. There are contributing chapters about homeland security in Europe, and homeland security in China and Japan.

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Ã¢â ¬Å“In this guide to understanding the structure of homeland security, Alperen, an attorney, offers a vital contribution to the effort to protect the rights of American citizens..Ã¢â ¬Â•Ã Â (Connecticut College Magazine, 1 June 2012)

The complete guide to understanding the structure of homeland security law Created from an assortment of new and existing laws, which are complex and expansive, America's Homeland Security Act sets policy for confronting terrorism within the United States with legislation designed to prevent attacks as well as manage crisis in the aftermath of a successful attempt. What is little known about the Homeland Security Act, however, is that its authority establishes legal domain over a multitude of additional public safety matters, including natural disasters. Foundations of Homeland Security cultivates in-depth understanding of homeland security law by covering a wide range of topics such as national security strategy; critical infrastructure protection; agriculture and food; emergency preparedness and response; and future stepsÃ¢â ¬â •all of which let readers develop conceptual knowledge for addressing a range of hazardous scenarios falling within the Homeland Security Act's legal purview. Foundations of Homeland Security: Is arranged in a topic-by-topic format structured to include only the relevant documents and statues that affect a particular subject, making for easier reference Demonstrates that homeland security involves many specialties, and therefore is best viewed from a broad, long-term perspective Contains many references valuable for professionals in various fields, including the military, the government, and first responders Includes discussion questions for deeper exploration of material A vital contributor to the multi-disciplinary effort toward protecting the rights and well-being of all American citizens, Foundations of Homeland Security offers important legal guidance that students, law enforcement officers, lawyers, and other related professionals need to accurately interpret and apply homeland security law

Purchased this book for a graduate class, the title says it all but the contents are impressive. The author must have gone through an endless amount of information and policies in making the book. Granted this is not a type of book you sit down to leisurely read. The contents are fact filled, meaning it is law after law in respect to the policy and what and why it is in place. It's boring, to read like any another book. For resources and explanations of policies and why they were enacted it is outstanding. Currently there is not another book on the market that even comes close to the amount of detail and subject matter this one contains. In my studies and not being familiar with the vast amount of laws that limit or promote my expertise I am reassured every time I open the book. It obtains the straight to the point legislation and resources I need, without the junk.

All of what was in this book you could easily find through Google. There was very little synthesis or

explanation of what the laws entailed or lead to, but instead just the wording of the laws themselves. While the laws are the foundations, I didn't expect to read about them in a graduate level course, nor did I expect them to just be handed to us. We could have just as easily looked at US code and just read section and saved the money. The chapters on how other countries look at security were insightful and I wish more of the book were set up in that way.

Given the variety of homeland security authorities for each subject matter topic, this new edition is an excellent source for students and practitioners.

As a homeland security professor and author, I found Dr. Alperen's book touched on some very key points that many other authors gloss over. While he discusses terrorism, his notes that homeland security is more that just addressing terrorism, a term few federal agencies can define with any agreement. I also found the additional information of the approaches taken regarding homeland security (though it is not always referred to by those words) in other nations, such as China, and Europe, in general. If you want to learn more about homeland security, this is one book you should add to your library.Professor Keith G. Logan, Department of Criminal Justice, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.

I found this book very interesting. Chapter one, the introduction, gave me a broad overview of homeland security and the many footnotes kept me engrossed for hours. It is an amazing compilation of the current laws and policies relating to the topic, as well as how some foreign countries deal with the same topic. The law and policy chapters helped me to understand the legal framework that guides our homeland security action. Given the state of our world now and the necessity for this information, I thought it was a very interesting and informative book. A great book for both the layman and professional who wants to understand the current laws and policies that form the basis for our Homeland Security. As a layman, it gave me a basic understanding of the 'why' and 'how', and I highly recommend it.

Although some of the laws, and what the author calls policy documents, were more in depth than I needed, I enjoyed the book overall and highly recommend it. There are ample footnotes and references that help provide and overall picture of homeland security for the novice. In that regard, I especially appreciate Chapter One, which does an excellent job of introducing the subject.

THE FIRST CHAPTER IS AN ESPECIALLY HELPFUL INTRODUCTION TO THE FIELD OF HOMELAND SECURITY. THIS BOOK ACTUALLY DELIVERS WHAT IT INTEND TO; IT PROVIDES THE FOUNDATION FOR UNDERSTANDING HOMELAND SECURITY AS WE PRACTICE IT HERE IN THE U.S. AND ALSO INCLUDES INFORMATION ABOUT HOW SOME OTHER COUNTRIES ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. IT IS INVALUABLE TO THOSE OF US WORKING IN THE TRENCHES AS WELL AS THOSE INVOLVED IN HOMELAND SECURITY POLICY WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE LAWS GUIDING THE WORK AS IT IS PERFORMED IN THE FIELD. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND THIS BOOK FOR THESE REASONS.JOHN CRONKITE

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