

Review Questions – Jan. 23, 2014

1. The operative provision of a statute:
 - a. Establishes the coercive aspects of a statute which are triggered or implemented to assure that the statute achieves its goals (e.g., criminal penalties).
 - b. Contains language that describes the desired outcome or goal of the overall statute.
 - c. Can be combined with an implementation provision of a statute.
 - d. b and c.
 - e. All of the above.

2. While clarity is a fundamental virtue of legislative drafting, describe two instances that might lead a legislator to use ambiguous language:
 - a. _____.
 - b. _____.