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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
21106	36:2402.	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, § 2, 98 Stat. 237.

The words “and subject to the laws of such State or States” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 21107. Restrictions

(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or declare or pay a dividend.

(b) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director, officer, or member during the life of the charter granted by this chapter. This subsection does not prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to an officer or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by the board of directors.

(c) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan to a director, officer, or employee.

(d) CLAIM OF GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL OR AUTHORITY.—The corporation may not claim congressional approval or the authority of the United States Government for any of its activities.

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21107(a)	36:2408(c).	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, § 8(a)–(d), 98 Stat. 238.
21107(b)	36:2408(a).	
21107(c)	36:2408(b).	
21107(d)	36:2408(d).	

In subsection (a), the words “any shares of” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (b), the words “inure to the benefit of” are substituted for “inure to” for consistency in the revised title.

§ 21108. Duty to maintain corporate and tax-exempt status

(a) CORPORATE STATUS.—The corporation shall maintain its status as a corporation incorporated under the laws of each State in which it is incorporated.

(b) TAX-EXEMPT STATUS.—The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 1 et seq.).

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21108(a)	36:2408(e).	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, §§ 8(e), 15 (1st sentence), 98 Stat. 238, 239.
21108(b)	36:2414 (1st sentence).	

In subsection (a), the words “organized and” are omitted as unnecessary. The words “each State” are substituted for “State or States” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

§ 21109. Records and inspection

(a) RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—

- (1) correct and complete records of account;
- (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and
- (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote.

(b) INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time.

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21109	36:2410.	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, § 10, 98 Stat. 238.

The word “records” is substituted for “books and records” for consistency in the revised title and with other titles of the United States Code. The words “Nothing in this section shall be construed to contravene any applicable State law” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 21110. Service of process

The corporation shall comply with the law on service of process of each State in which it is incorporated and each State in which it carries on activities.

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21110	36:2404.	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, § 4, 98 Stat. 238.

§ 21111. Liability for acts of officers and agents

The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within the scope of their authority.

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21111	36:2409.	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, § 9, 98 Stat. 238.

§ 21112. Annual report

The corporation shall submit an annual report to Congress on the activities of the corporation during the prior fiscal year. The report shall be submitted at the same time as the report of the audit required by section 10101 of this title. The report may not be printed as a public document.

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21112	36:2411.	June 12, 1984, Pub. L. 98-314, § 12, 98 Stat. 239.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of reporting provisions in this section, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 196 of House Document No. 103-7.

CHAPTER 213—AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

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§ 21301. Organization

American Historical Association (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of Columbia.

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<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
21301	36:20 (1st sentence words before “for the promotion”).	Jan. 4, 1889, ch. 20, (1st sentence words before “for the promotion”), 25 Stat. 640.

This section is substituted for the source provisions for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate executed and unnecessary words.

§ 21302. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are—

- (1) to promote historical studies;
- (2) to collect and preserve historical manuscripts; and
- (3) other kindred purposes in the interest of American history and of history in America.

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21302	36:20 (1st sentence words beginning with “for the promotion”).	Jan. 4, 1889, ch. 20, (1st sentence words beginning with “for the promotion”), 25 Stat. 640.

§ 21303. Powers

The corporation may—

- (1) adopt a constitution and bylaws; and
- (2) hold property in the District of Columbia necessary to carry out the purposes of the corporation.

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<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
21303	36:20 (2d sentence).	Jan. 4, 1889, ch. 20, (2d sentence), 25 Stat. 640; July 3, 1957, Pub. L. 85-83, §1, 71 Stat. 276.

In clause (1), the words “not inconsistent with law” are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (2), the word “property” is substituted for “real and personal estate”, and the word “necessary” is substituted for “so far only as may be necessary”, to eliminate unnecessary words. The words “to carry out the purposes of the corporation” are substituted for “to its lawful ends” for consistency in the revised title.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TAX EXEMPTION OF REAL PROPERTY

Pub. L. 85-83, §2, July 3, 1957, 71 Stat. 277, provided that: “The real property situated in Square 817, in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, described as lot 23, owned, occupied, and used by the American Historical Association, is exempt from all taxation so long as the same is so owned and occupied, and not used for commercial purposes, subject to the provisions of sections 2, 3, and 5 of the Act entitled ‘An Act to define the real property exempt from taxation in the District of Columbia’, approved December 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 1089; D.C. Code, secs. 47-801b, 47-801c, and 47-801e).”

§ 21304. Annual meeting

The corporation may hold its annual meeting in a place the members of the corporation select.

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21304	36:20 (3d sentence words after 2d comma).	Jan. 4, 1889, ch. 20, (3d sentence words after 2d comma), 25 Stat. 640.

The words “members of the corporation” are substituted for “said incorporators” to reflect the probable intent.

§ 21305. Principal office

The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.

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21305	36:20 (3d sentence words before 2d comma).	Jan. 4, 1889, ch. 20, (3d sentence words before 2d comma), 25 Stat. 640.

§ 21306. Historical collections

The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution may allow the corporation to deposit its collections, manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and other historical material in the Smithsonian Institution or the National Museum on conditions and under regulations the Regents prescribe.

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21306	36:20 (last sentence).	Jan. 4, 1889, ch. 20, (last sentence), 25 Stat. 640.

The words “historical material” are substituted for “material for history” for clarity. The words “at their discretion” are omitted as unnecessary.