

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
300104(a)	36:5 (matter before (a)), (a), (b), (c) (1st, 3d pars.).	Jan. 5, 1905, ch. 23, §5 (matter before (a)), (a), (b), (c) (1st-5th pars., last par.), 33 Stat. 601; Dec. 10, 1912, ch. 1, §1, 37 Stat. 647; Mar. 3, 1921, ch. 131, §1, 41 Stat. 1354; May 8, 1947, ch. 50, §6, 61 Stat. 82, 83.
300104(b)	36:5(c) (2d, 4th pars.).	
300104(c)	36:5(c) (5th par.).	
300104(d)	36:5(c) (last par.).	

In subsection (a)(1), before clause (A), the word “direction” is omitted as included in “governing and managing”. In clause (A), the words “of the United States” and “as may from time to time be” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (a)(2), the words “One-third of the members elected to the board shall be elected at each national convention, and take office at that time or as soon as practicable after the convention” are substituted for 36:5(c) (3d par.) to eliminate unnecessary words.

In subsection (b)(1), the words “if, before the end of the 3-year term, the governor retires from the official position held at the time of appointment as a governor” are substituted for “if and when such Governor shall retire, prior to the date on which his term as Governor would otherwise expire, from the official position held at the time of his appointment as Governor” for clarity and to eliminate unnecessary words.

In subsection (b)(2), the words “as soon as practicable” are substituted for “as soon as may be” for clarity. The words “that may occur by death, resignation, or otherwise” are omitted as unnecessary. The words “a vacancy occurring in an elected position on the board” are substituted for “Any vacancy that may occur in the Governors elected by the chapters pursuant to subsection (b) of this section or in the Governors-at-large elected by the Board of Governors pursuant to subsection (c) of this section” to eliminate unnecessary words. The words “An individual appointed by the board to fill a vacancy serves” are substituted for “such appointees to serve” for clarity.

In subsection (c)(2), the words “of the corporation” are substituted for “designated by the President of the United States” for consistency in the revised section.

AMENDMENTS

2007—Pub. L. 110-26 reenacted section catchline without change and amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section consisted of subssecs. (a) to (d) relating to the board of governors, its terms of office and filling of vacancies, the executive committee, and voting by proxy.

§ 300105. Powers

(a) GENERAL.—The corporation may—

- (1) adopt policies and regulations;
- (2) adopt, alter, and destroy a seal;
- (3) own and dispose of property to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
- (4) accept gifts, devises, and bequests of property to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
- (5) sue and be sued in courts of law and equity, State or Federal, within the jurisdiction of the United States; and
- (6) do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter and promote the purposes of the corporation.

(b) DESIGNATION.—The corporation is designated as the organization authorized to act in

matters of relief under the treaties of Geneva, August 22, 1864, July 27, 1929, and August 12, 1949.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1492; Pub. L. 110-26, §7, May 11, 2007, 121 Stat. 108.)

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300105	36:2 (1st sentence words between 2d comma and 3d semicolon and after 4th semicolon).	Jan. 5, 1905, ch. 23, §2 (1st sentence words between 2d comma and 3d semicolon and after 4th semicolon), 33 Stat. 600; May 8, 1947, ch. 50, §3, 61 Stat. 81.

In subsection (a)(1), the word “adopt” is substituted for “ordain and establish” for consistency in the revised title. The words “not inconsistent with the laws of the United States of America or any State thereof” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (a)(2), the words “adopt, alter, and destroy a seal” are substituted for “adopt a seal and the same to alter and destroy at pleasure” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

In subsection (a)(3), the words “own and dispose of property” are substituted for “to have and to hold such real and personal estate as shall be deemed advisable and to dispose of the same” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

In subsection (a)(4), the word “property” is substituted for “real and personal estate” for clarity and consistency in the revised title.

In subsection (a)(6), the word “things” is omitted as included in “act”. The words “carry out this chapter” are substituted for “carry into effect the provisions of sections 1, 2 to 6, 8, and 9 of this title” for clarity and because under 36:1a the corporation existing under those sections continued under the source provisions restated in the revised chapter.

In subsection (b), the words “treaties of Geneva, August 22, 1864, July 27, 1929, and August 12, 1949” are substituted for “said treaties” for clarity and consistency in the chapter.

AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 110-26 substituted “policies” for “bylaws”.

§ 300106. Emblem, badge, and brassard

(a) EMBLEM AND BADGE.—In carrying out its purposes under this chapter, the corporation may have and use, as an emblem and badge, a Greek red cross on a white ground, as described in the treaties of Geneva, August 22, 1864, July 27, 1929, and August 12, 1949, and adopted by the nations acceding to those treaties.

(b) DELIVERY OF BRASSARD.—In accordance with those treaties, the delivery of the brassard allowed for individuals neutralized in time of war shall be left to military authority.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1492.)

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300106(a)	36:2 (1st sentence words between 3d and 4th semicolons).	Jan. 5, 1905, ch. 23, §2 (1st sentence words between 3d and 4th semicolons, last sentence), 33 Stat. 600; May 8, 1947, ch. 50, §3, 61 Stat. 81.
300106(b)	36:2 (last sentence).	

In subsection (a), the words “under this chapter” are substituted for “hereinafter designated” for clarity. The date “August 12, 1949” is added to include the reference to a subsequent treaty.