

2003—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 108-169, §206(a)(1), (2), substituted “12” for “9” in introductory provisions and “nine” for “six” in subpar. (D).

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 108-169, §206(a)(3), substituted “4 members” for “3 members”.

2000—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 106-503, §113(b)(1), added subsec. (f) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (f). Text read as follows: “Appointment to the board does not constitute appointment as an officer or employee of the United States Government for the purpose of any law of the United States.”

Subsecs. (g), (h). Pub. L. 106-503, §113(b), redesignated subsec. (h) as (g) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (g). Text read as follows: “Members of the board serve without compensation.”

1998—Subsecs. (f) to (h). Pub. L. 105-354 amended subsecs. (f) and (g) generally and added subsec. (h). Prior to amendment, subsecs. (f) and (g) read as follows:

“(f) STATUS AND COMPENSATION.—Members of the board—

“(1) are not officers or employees of the United States Government; and

“(2) serve without compensation.

“(g) LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS.—Members of the board are not personally liable, except for gross negligence.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-354, §3, Nov. 3, 1998, 112 Stat. 3245, provided that: “The amendment made by section 1(8) of this Act [amending this section] shall take effect as if included in the provisions of Public Law 105-225, as of the date of enactment of Public Law 105-225 [Aug. 12, 1998].”

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of all functions, personnel, assets, components, authorities, grant programs, and liabilities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including the functions of the Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management relating thereto, to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, see section 315(a)(1) of Title 6, Domestic Security.

For transfer of functions, personnel, assets, and liabilities of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including the functions of the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency relating thereto, to the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for treatment of related references, see former section 313(1) and sections 551(d), 552(d), and 557 of Title 6, Domestic Security, and the Department of Homeland Security Reorganization Plan of November 25, 2002, as modified, set out as a note under section 542 of Title 6.

§ 151304. Officers and employees

(a) APPOINTMENT.—The board of directors may appoint officers or employees, but only after the corporation has sufficient funds to pay for their services.

(b) STATUS AND COMPENSATION.—Officers and employees of the corporation—

(1) shall not be considered employees of the United States Government;

(2) shall be appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service; and

(3) may be paid without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, except that an officer or employee may not be paid more than 15 percent above the annual rate of basic pay for level GS-15 of the General Schedule under section 5107 of title 5.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1400; Pub. L. 106-503, title I, §113(c), Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2304; Pub. L. 108-169, title II, §206(b), Dec. 6, 2003, 117 Stat. 2040.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
151304(a)	36:5202(g)(1)(A), (2).	Oct. 26, 1992, Pub. L. 102-522, title II, §203(g)(1)(A), (2), (h), 106 Stat. 3418.
151304(b)	36:5202(h).	

Subsection (a) is substituted for the source provisions for clarity.

In subsection (b)(3), the words “relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates” are omitted as unnecessary.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The General Schedule, referred to in subsec. (b)(3), is set out under section 5332 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

CODIFICATION

Section 5202(g)(1) of former Title 36, from which this section was derived, was amended after the Aug. 15, 1997, cutoff date by Pub. L. 105-276, title IV, §427(b), Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2511, see section 5(a) of Pub. L. 105-225, set out as a Legislative Purpose and Construction note preceding section 101 of this title. The subsequent amendment made directly to this section by section 113(c)(1) of Pub. L. 106-503 replicated the prior amendment made by Pub. L. 105-276.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 108-169 inserted “15 percent above” after “more than”.

2000—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 106-503, §113(c)(1), struck out “not more than 2” after “appoint”.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 106-503, §113(c)(2), substituted “shall not be considered” for “are not”.

§ 151305. Powers

(a) GENERAL.—The corporation may—

(1) adopt a constitution and bylaws;

(2) adopt a seal which shall be judicially noticed; and

(3) do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter.

(b) POWERS AS TRUSTEE.—To carry out its purposes, the corporation has the usual powers of a corporation acting as a trustee in Maryland, including the power—

(1) to accept, receive, solicit, hold, administer, and use any gift, devise, or bequest, either absolutely or in trust, of property or any income from or other interest in the property;

(2) unless otherwise required by the instrument of transfer, to sell, donate, lease, invest, or otherwise dispose of any property or income from the property;

(3) to make contracts and other arrangements with public agencies and private organizations and persons and to make payments necessary to carry out its functions;

(4) to sue and be sued; and

(5) to do any other act necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of the corporation.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1400; Pub. L. 105-354, §1(9), Nov. 3, 1998, 112 Stat. 3244.)