

In item (3) of this section, the former phrase "at a place or places ... that it designates" is deleted as implicit in the power of the Corporation to "maintain offices in the State".

In item (4) of this section, the former phrase "as it deems appropriate" is deleted as implicit in the authority to appoint boards and committees.

In item (7) of this section, the word "contract" is substituted for the former reference to "contracts" in light of Art. 1, § 8, which provides that the singular generally includes the plural.

Also in item (7) of this section, the former reference to "mak[ing] [or], execut[ing]" a contract is deleted as implicit in the power of the Corporation to "enter into" a contract or other legal instrument.

In item (11) of this section, the words "land", "structure", "right", "right-of-way", "franchise", "easement", "interest", and "price" are substituted for the former references to "lands", "structures", "rights", "rights-of-way", "franchises", "easements", "interests", and "prices" respectively in light of Art. 1, § 8, which provides that the singular generally includes the plural.

Also in item (11) of this section, the word "or" is substituted for the former reference to "and" for clarity.

In item (12) of this section, the words "land" and "water" are substituted for the former references to "lands" and "waters" in light of Art. 1, § 8, which provides that the singular generally includes the plural.

The Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that former Art. 41, § 20-104 appears to have been copied directly from the MEDCO statute, Art. 83A, Title 5, Subtitle 2 (enacted in 1984). Generally, the purpose of MEDCO is to promote economic development, and it is statutorily directed to achieve this purpose by "owning projects, owning and leasing projects to one or more persons, or lending the proceeds of bonds to one or more persons" (*see* Art. 83A, § 5-202(c)(4)). Many of the powers on this list seem inappropriate for the Corporation whose only mission is to "plan, develop, and manage a Maryland Museum of African American history". For instance, *see* items (8) and (11) of this section which contemplate the Corporation acquiring, leasing, operating, etc., a "project" in the State; while the term "project" is defined in the MEDCO statute, there is no context for the reference in this particular subtitle.

Defined term: "Corporation" § 9-2601

9-2606. STRATEGIC PLAN; ANNUAL REPORT.

THE CORPORATION SHALL:

(1) PREPARE A STRATEGIC PLAN AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 5 YEARS THAT ESTABLISHES SHORT-RANGE AND LONG-RANGE GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PRIORITIES FOR THE MUSEUM IN SUPPORT OF ITS MISSION;