

**591.16 Nonprofit corporate renewal legalized.**

1. In all cases wherein any corporation organized under [chapter 2 of Title IX, Code of 1897](#), or chapter 394 of the Codes of [1924](#), [1927](#), [1931](#), [1935](#) and [1939](#), or chapter 504 of the Codes of [1946](#), [1950](#), [1954](#), [1958](#) and [1962](#), or purporting to have been organized, reincorporated or renewed thereunder, whose articles of incorporation, either original or on renewal or reincorporation, are filed with the secretary of state has thereafter taken action to reincorporate or renew its period of existence and has filed with the secretary of state articles of incorporation on renewal or reincorporation with a certificate or proof of the adoption thereof and has paid all fees in connection therewith and has heretofore received a certificate from the secretary of state approving said articles of incorporation filed on renewal or reincorporation, the acts, franchises, rights, privileges and corporate existence of any such corporation for the period provided by any such renewal or reincorporation but not in excess of the period permitted by law and the articles of incorporation adopted on such renewal or reincorporation, as filed in the office of the secretary of state, are hereby legalized and validated and shall have the same force and effect as if all the laws of this state relating to the organization or reincorporation of such corporations and the renewal of their corporate existence by reincorporation or renewal had been strictly complied with.

2. [This section](#) shall not operate to revive rights or claims previously barred and shall not permit an action to be brought or maintained upon any claim or cause of action which was barred by any statute which was in force prior to the effective date of [this section](#).\*

[C66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §591.16]

[2021 Acts, ch 76, §150](#)

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