

1953—Act May 29, 1953. Increased from \$10,000,000 to \$30,000,000 the limitation on aggregate cost of constructing branch bank buildings.
1947—Act July 30, 1947. added proviso exempting limitation on cost of construction where aggregate costs do not exceed \$10,000,000.

Canal 2 per centum bonds and rights and privileges of such bonds.

Section 544. R.S. § 5215; act Mar. 3, 1883, ch. 121, § 1, 22 Stat. 488, related to half-yearly return of circulation.

Section 545. R.S. § 5216; act Mar. 3, 1883, ch. 121, § 1, 22 Stat. 488, related to penalty for failure to make return.

Section 546. R.S. § 5217, related to enforcing tax on circulation.

Section 547. R.S. § 5218; act June 10, 1921, ch. 18, § 304, 42 Stat. 24, related to refunding excess tax.

VICTIMS?
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CHAPTER 4—TAXATION

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SUBCHAPTER I—FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS



§ 531. Exemption from taxation

Federal reserve banks, including the capital stock and surplus therein and the income derived therefrom, shall be exempt from Federal, State, and local taxation, except taxes upon real estate.

(Dec. 23, 1913, ch. 6, § 7, 38 Stat. 258; Mar. 3, 1919, ch. 101, § 1, 40 Stat. 1314.)

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of third par. of section 7 of act Dec. 23, 1913. First and second pars. of section 7 are classified to sections 289 and 290 of this title, respectively.

CROSS REFERENCES

United States obligations and evidences of ownership issued on or after March 28, 1942, as subject to Federal taxation, see section 742a of Title 31, Money and Finance.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 447 of this title.

SUBCHAPTER II—NATIONAL BANK CIRCULATION

§ 541. Tax on circulating notes generally

In lieu of all existing taxes, every association shall pay to the Treasurer of the United States, in the months of January and July, a duty of one-half of 1 per centum each half year upon the average amount of its notes in circulation.

(R.S. § 5214; Mar. 3, 1883, ch. 121, § 1, 22 Stat. 488.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

R.S. § 5214 is derived from act June 3, 1884, ch. 106, § 41, 13 Stat. 111, which was part of the National Bank Act. See section 38 of this title.

§§ 542 to 547. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section 542, act Mar. 14, 1900, ch. 41, § 13, 31 Stat. 49, related to tax on circulating notes generally.

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If the Federal Reserve Banks were Government Agencies there would be NO NEED for an INCOME TAX EXEMPTION! Also their REAL ESTATE WOULD NOT BE TAXED for, HOW COULD GOVERNMENT TAX ITSELF? It IS CLEARLY A PRIVATE BANKING CORPORATION which HAS BEEN GIVEN AN INCOME TAX EXEMPTION BY GOVERNMENT, OUR(?) CONGRESS!

REPEALS

Effective July 1, 1935, the permanent appropriation formerly provided for in former section 547 of this title was repealed by act June 28, 1934, ch. 756, § 2, 48 Stat. 1226, such act authorizing in lieu thereof, an annual appropriation from the general fund of the Treasury. See section 725a(b) of Title 31, Money and Finance.

REDEMPTION OF BONDS; TERMINATION OF CIRCULATING NOTES

In a communication from the Treasury Department dated February 17, 1941, it was stated "The Secretary of the Treasury called for redemption the only outstanding issues of United States bonds bearing the circulation privilege as follows:

- "2% Consols. of 1930, as of July 1, 1935.
- "2% Panama Canal bonds of 1918-38, and
- "2% Panama Canal bonds of 1918-38, as of August 1, 1935.

"The retirement of these issues automatically put an end to National Bank note circulation and the collection of the tax thereon."

SUBCHAPTER III—NATIONAL BANK SHARES

§ 548. State taxation

For the purposes of any tax law enacted under authority of the United States or any State, a national bank shall be treated as a bank organized and existing under the laws of the State or other jurisdiction within which its principal office is located.

(R.S. § 5219; Mar. 4, 1923, ch. 267, 42 Stat. 1499; Mar. 25, 1928, ch. 88, 44 Stat. 223; Dec. 24, 1969, Pub. L. 91-156, §§ 1(a), 2(a), 83 Stat. 434.)

AMENDMENTS

1969—Pub. L. 91-156, § 2(a), substituted provisions directing that national banks, for purposes of both Federal and State tax laws, be treated as banks organized and existing under the laws of the State or other jurisdiction within which each bank's principal office is located for provisions placing restrictions on the taxation of national bank shares and, for the period until the effective date of such amendment, set out interim provisions regarding intangible personal property taxes of States and local governments on national banks.

Pub. L. 91-156, § 1(a), added par. 5.

1928—Act Mar. 25, 1928, among other changes inserted "on their net income" in cl. (3) of former opening par., and added cl. (4) thereto, and inserted proviso in former subsec. 1(c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1969 AMENDMENT

Section 1(b) of Pub. L. 91-156 provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) of this section (setting out interim provisions regarding intangible personal property taxes of State and local govern-

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