

# Statutes and Decisions Relating to the Idaho State Historical Society

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The Idaho State Historical Society is an educational institution active in the fields of primary, secondary, higher, and adult education. Organized as a government corporation, the Society operates under policies established by a board of five trustees appointed by the governor. To fulfill purposes defined by the legislature in 1907, 1947, 1963, and 1970, the Society discharges research, publication, preservation, and teaching responsibilities in the history of Idaho and the Pacific Northwest. Maintaining major archival, manuscript, newspaper, photograph, museum, and library collections, the Society functions as the state department of history, interpreting Idaho's heritage under the provisions of the following statutes and decisions:

1. An act of March 12, 1907, creating the Idaho State Historical Society. (Sections 67-4101 through 67-4111, Idaho Code)
2. An act of March 12, 1947, establishing the Idaho State Archives as a division of the Society. (Sections 67-4112 and 67-4113, Idaho Code)
3. An act of March 7, 1957 (Idaho Session Laws, 1957, 233-235), providing for protection to historic and archaeological sites in Idaho, and for approval by the Society before historical markers may be erected on highways. (Sections 67-4114 through 67-4118)
4. An act of March 2, 1961 (Idaho Session Laws, 1961, 103), with amendments, providing for county support for historical societies and museums. (Sections 31-864 and 865, Idaho Code)
5. An act of March 19, 1963 (Idaho Session Laws, 1963, 539-540), providing for excavation of archaeological sites on public lands in Idaho by permit for the State Historical Society. (Sections 67-4119 to 67-4122, Idaho Code)

6. An act of March 14, 1970 (Idaho Session Laws, 1970, 438-441), with amendments, redefining powers and functions of trustees and staff. (Sections 67-4123 through 67-4130, Idaho Code, as amended April 3, 1974, March 31, 1980, April 2, 1982, and March 21, 1983)
7. An act of April 3, 1974 (Idaho Session Laws, 1974, 1596-1597), providing for local preservation commissions. (Sections 67-4601 to 4619, Idaho Code)
8. An act of March 20, 1978 (Idaho Session Laws 1978, 423), requiring public notice and comment relating to historic site designation. (Section 67-4113, Idaho Code)
9. An act of April 1, 1992 (Idaho Session Laws, 1992, 388-389), creating the Idaho archaeological survey. (Sections 33-3901 through 33-3905)
10. Supreme Court decisions include: *Hailey v. Huston*, 25 Idaho 165, November 13, 1913, and *State v. Gallet*, 36 Idaho 178, July 20, 1922.

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