

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 345.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND NINETY-THREE.

AN ACT additional to and amendatory of Chapter two hundred and thirty-four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, relating to Fraternal Beneficiary Organizations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section three of chapter two hundred and thirty-four of
2 the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine is
3 hereby amended by leaving out all after the word "afore-
4 said" in the first line, to the word "and" in the fourth
5 line; also by leaving out all after the word "member" in
6 the twenty-first line to the word "may" in the twenty-
7 fourth line and inserting the following: 'Any corporation

8 authorized to transact business as defined in this act ;
9 and by striking out the words "one dollar" in the last
10 line and inserting therefor the words 'two dollars;' so
11 that said section as amended shall read as follows :

Section 3. Any corporation duly organized as afore-
13 said, and which conducts its business as a fraternal society
14 on the lodge system, or limits its certificate holders to a
15 particular order, class or fraternity, or to the employes
16 of a particular town or city, designated firm, business
17 house or corporation, may provide in its by-laws for the
18 payment, from time to time, of a fixed sum by each
19 member, and from this income may make weekly or other
20 payments to any member during a period of disability of
21 such member. Such corporation may also provide in its
22 by-laws for the payment, from time to time, of a fixed
23 sum by each member to be paid to the beneficiaries of
24 deceased members, in such amount and manner as shall
25 be fixed by said by-laws and written in the benefit certifi-
26 cates issued to such members, and payable to the husband,
27 wife, children, relatives of, or persons dependent upon
28 such member ; but no contract under this act shall be
29 valid or legal which shall be conditional upon an agree-
30 ment or understanding that the beneficiary shall pay the
31 dues and assessments, or either of them, for said member.
32 Any corporation authorized to transact business as defined
33 in this act may employ paid agents in soliciting business.
34 But no person shall act as such an agent until he has first
35 been licensed therefor by the insurance commissioner in
36 accordance with the provisions of section seventy-three,
37 chapter forty-nine of the Revised Statutes, and any per-
38 sons violating this provision shall, upon conviction, be

39 punished as provided in said section seventy-three. For
40 such license the commissioner shall receive two dollars.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 16, 1893. }

Reported by Mr. MARSTON of Skowhegan, from Committee on
Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*