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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 536

House of Representatives, March 17, 1913.

Reported by Mr. Higgins from Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN.

AN ACT to amend Chapter 131 of the Public Laws of 1911 relating to taxing insurance in companies not authorized to do business in Maine.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section I. Chapter 131, Public Laws of 1911, is hereby 2 amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. All persons, companies, associations or corpo-

- 4 rations residing or doing business in this state that enter into
- 5 any agreements with any insurance company, association,
- 6 individual, firm, underwriter or Lloyd, not authorized to do
- 7 business in this state, whereby said person, company, asso-
- 8 ciation or corporation shall enter into contracts of insurance

9 covering risks within this state, with said unauthorized as-10 sociation, individual, firm, underwriter or Lloyd, for which II there is a premium charged or collected, the said person, 12 company, association, or corporation so insured shall, an-13 nually on the first day of December or within ten days there-14 after, return to the insurance commissioner of this state a 15 statement under oath for the twelve months preceding on 16 policies or contracts of insurance or indemnity taken by 17 the said person, company, association or corporation. 18 statement shall show the amount of insurance and the gross 19 premiums paid to each stock company for insurance during 20 the period covered by such statement and there may be de-21 ducted from the gross premiums any premiums returned to 22 the insured on policies cancelled where such policies have 23 been issued during the term covered by the statement or 24 premiums returned on policies cancelled where such original 25 premiums have been previously taxed under this act; or if 26 the insurance or indemnity is with a mutual company or 27 association or individual or through an attorney for individ-28 uals, partnerships or corporations, or firm or Lloyds, such 29 statement shall show the amount of insurance or indemnity 30 and gross premium or deposit or payment made to secure 31 such insurance or indemnity and from said gross premium 32 or deposit or payment there may be deducted any premiums 33 returned to the insured on policies cancelled where such 34 policies have been issued during the term covered by the 35 statement or premiums returned on policies cancelled where

36 such original premiums have been previously taxed under 37 this act. The insurance commissioner shall give notice to 38 each person, company, association or corporation filing such 39 return of the amount of his tax, computed at two and one-40 half per cent of the gross premium or deposit or payment 41 made to secure the insurance or indemnity and said tax 42 shall be payable to the State Treasurer on or before the 31st 43 day of December following.'

- 'Sect. 2. Any person, company, association or corporation 45 failing or refusing to make the report required in section one 46 of this act and to furnish all the data and information that 47 may be required by the insurance commissioner to determine 48 the amount due, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor 49 and upon conviction be fined not less than one hundred dol-50 lars nor more than five hundred dollars for each offence.'
- 'Sect. 3. No provision of this act shall be construed as ex52 tending to fraternal beneficiary associations, or members
 53 thereof; nor to mutual church insurance companies con54 ducted for the protection of properties used in the service
 55 of religious denominations, or members thereof; nor to
 56 marine insurance; nor shall any provision of this act be con57 strued as extending to insurance in unauthorized companies,
 58 written by special insurance brokers, under section ninety59 nine, chapter forty-nine, Revised Statutes of Maine.'