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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

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Chapter 95

AN ACT Liberalizing the Beneficiary Limitation on Fraternal Insurance.

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

R. S., c. 56, § 145, amended. The 4th sentence of section 145 of chapter 56 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Death benefits shall be payable to any beneficiary designated by the member; provided that the society may by its by-laws make restrictions as to who may be beneficiary. After the issuance of the original certificate, each member shall have the right to change his beneficiary from time to time in accordance with the by-laws of the society; and no beneficiary shall have or obtain any vested interest in said benefits until the same have become due and payable upon the death of the member.'

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 96

AN ACT Relating to Process Against Unauthorized Insurers.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 56, §§ 13-A - 13-D, additional. Chapter 56 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 4 new sections to be numbered 13-A to 13-D, inclusive, to read as follows:

'Unauthorized Insurers

Sec. 13-A. Purpose of sections 13-A to 13-D, inclusive. The purpose of sections 13-A to 13-D, inclusive, is to subject certain insurers to the jurisdiction of courts of this state in suits by or on behalf of insureds or beneficiaries under insurance contracts. The legislature declares that it is a subject of concern that many residents of this state hold policies of insurance issued or delivered in this state by insurers while not authorized to do business in this state, thus presenting to such residents the often insuperable obstacle of resorting to distant forums for the purpose of asserting legal rights under such policies. In furtherance of such state interest, the legislature herein provides a method of substituted service of process upon