Policies when void.

Sec. 7. And be it cnacted, That when any property insured by this corporation shall be aliened by sale or otherwise, the policy shall thereafter be void and of no effect, and shall be surrendered to the directors to be cancelled, and upon such surrender the insured shall be entitled to receive his deposit on payment of his proportion of losses and expenses accrued prior to such surrender, but the alience of guarantee, having the policy assigned to him, may have the same ratified and conferred to him for his own proper use and benefit upon application to the directors with their consent within twenty days next after such alienation on giving proper security to the satisfaction of said directors for such portion of the deposit or premium note as shall remain unpaid, and by virtue thereof, from the time of such ratification, the party causing such security to be given shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges, and be subject to all the liabilities to which the original party to whom the policy was issued was entitled and subject under this Act.

Liabilities of Stockholders.

Sec. 8. And be it enacted, That every member of said corporation shall be bound to pay for losses or damages, and such necessary expenses aforesaid accruing in said corporation in proportion to the amount of his or her deposit note.

May bring suit.

Sec. 9. And be it enacted, That suits at law may be maintained by said corporation against any of its members for the collection of said deposit notes or any assignment thereon, or for any other cause relating to the business of said corporation; also, all suits may be prosecuted and maintained by any member against said corporation for loss or damage by fire if payment be withheld or refused more than three months after the company are duly notified of such loss, no member of the company not being in his individual capacity a party to the suit or suits shall be incompetent as a witness on account of his being a member of the company.

Payment of deposit notes.

Sec. 10. And be it enacted, That the Directors shall, after ascertaining the amount of loss or damage by fire sustained by any of its members, settle and determine in proportion to the deposit notes, the amount to be paid by any of its mem-