

tion, in accordance with the by-laws of the society, nor shall any such benefit certificate be issued unless the society shall simultaneously put in force at least five hundred such certificates, on each of which at least one assessment has been paid, nor where the number of lives represented by such certificate falls below five hundred. The death benefit contributions to be made upon such certificates shall be based upon the "Standard Industrial Mortality Table" or the "English Life Table Number Six," and a rate of interest not greater than four per cent. per annum, or upon a higher standard: Provided, that contributions may be waived or returns may be made from any surplus held in excess of reserve and other liabilities as provided in the by-laws. And provided, further, that extra contributions may be made if the reserves hereafter provided for become impaired. Any society entering into such insurance agreements shall maintain on all such contracts the reserve required by the standard of mortality and interest adopted by the society for computing contributions, and the funds representing the benefit contributions and all accretions thereon shall be kept as separate and distinct funds, independent of the other funds of the society, and shall not be liable for nor used for the payment of the debts and obligations of the society other than the benefits herein authorized: Provided, however, that when a child reaches the age of eighteen years and fails to apply for regular membership into the society, any benefit certificates issued to it must be surrendered for cancellation, and any reserve upon such certificate shall be paid to the party responsible for the payments of assessments as a cash value.

Provided, further, that such surrender will not reduce the number of lives insured in the branch below five hundred, and upon the issuance of such new certificate any reserve upon the original certificate herein provided for shall be transferred to the credit of the new certificate. Neither the person who originally made application for benefits on account of such child, nor the beneficiary named in such original certificate, nor the person who paid the contributions, shall have any vested right in such new certificate, the free nomination of a beneficiary under the new certificates being left to the child so admitted to benefit membership. An entirely separate financial statement of the business transactions and of assets and liabilities arising therefrom shall be made in its annual report to the insurance commissioners by any society availing itself of the provisions hereof. The separation of assets, funds and liabilities required hereby shall not be terminated, rescinded or modified, nor shall the funds be diverted for any other use other than as herein specified as long as any certificates issued hereunder remain in force, and this requirement shall be recognized and enforced in any liquidation, reinsurance, merger or other change in the condition or status of the society.

No fraternal association and/or society shall be permitted to continue business in this State after June 1st, 1927, whose last examination or annual report shows that it is less than ninety per cent. (90%) solvent.