

the insurance commissioner is a necessary party to any proceedings instituted for the purpose of closing up the affairs of any insurance company when the same shall not be in the name of the State of Maryland. It shall be the duty of the insurance commissioner to report in detail to the attorney-general any violation of the laws relative to insurance companies, their officers or agents, or the business of insurance; and he shall have power to institute suits and prosecutions, either by the attorney-general, or such other attorney as the attorney-general may select, for any violation of the provisions of this act.

Violations reported to attorney-general
Suits, etc., instituted.

Tenth.—The insurance commissioner shall preserve in permanent form a full record of his proceedings, and a concise statement of the condition of each company visited or examined, and report annually to the governor on or before the first day of June his official acts; and shall, on the first day of December, annually, report to the comptroller the fees received, and expenses of his department for the year then to end, and pay into the treasury all excess of receipts over disbursements, and in his report to the governor he shall report the condition of the companies doing business in this State, and such other information as will exhibit the affairs of his department; a copy of which said report to the governor he shall forward to the insurance commissioner or other similar officer of every other State of the United States, and to each company doing business in this State, and, on request, he shall communicate to the insurance commissioner, or other proper officer, of any other State, any facts which by law it is his duty to ascertain respecting companies of this State doing business within such other State; and at the request of any person, and on payment of the proper fee as hereinafter provided, he shall give certified copies of any record or paper in his office, when he deems it not prejudicial to public interest so to do; and he shall give such other certificates as this act provides for; and he shall adopt and renew, from time to time, when necessary, with the approval of the governor, a seal of office, an impression and description of which, with the governor's certificate of approval, shall be filed with the secretary of state

Record of proceedings.

Report to governor and to comptroller

Certified copies of records, etc.

Seal of office

3. No declaration of organization or charter of an insurance company formed under any general law of this State, and no alteration or amendment thereof shall be operative until it has been submitted to the attorney-general for examination, and found by him to be in accordance with the provisions of this act and of such general law, and not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of this State, and so certified by him and delivered to the insurance commissioner; and before any such company shall begin to do any business, the insurance commissioner shall examine the officers of said company under oath, to ascertain whether the capital required of the company named in the charter, according to the nature of the business proposed to be transacted by such company, to an amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars, has been

1878, c 106
Charters, etc., submitted to attorney-general

Commissioner to ascertain if capital required has been paid in.