policy-holders or persons pecuniarily interested therein, who shall make affidavit of their belief, with specifications of reasons therefor, showing a *prima facie* case that such company is in an unsound condition; and whenever the insurance commissioner may have reason to doubt the solvency or the correctness of the statement of any company not organized under the laws of this State, which may have been licensed to do business in this State, or which may be applying for said license, he shall communicate such doubts, and the reasons for them, to the insurance commissioner, or other officer charged with the supervision of insurance corporations of the State in which said company is located, and if he is not satisfied from the information obtained from such insurance commissioner or other officer, or from the officers of the company, that the condition of the company is such as to warrant him in permitting it to transact business in this State, under the provisions of this article, he shall notify such company that it will be necessary for him to have its affairs examined by some person or persons by him appointed, and for that purpose the person or persons by him appointed shall visit such company at its principal office and make a thorough examination into all its affairs; and if such company shall refuse to permit such examination, or shall refuse free access to all its books and papers, or shall in any way prevent or obstruct a thorough examination into its affairs, he shall not grant a license to such company, or if a license shall already have been granted, he shall at once revoke it and publish the fact of such revocation in one daily newspaper published in the city of Baltimore, and the person or persons by him appointed for any of the purposes mentioned herein shall each be entitled to a sum not exceeding ten dollars ($10) for each and every day he or they are engaged in any such examination, and in addition thereto he or they shall be paid his or their traveling and other expenses, which said per diem and expenses shall be paid by the company whose affairs are examined, and, if not paid within ten days after the completion of such examination, may be sued for by the insurance commissioner; for the purpose of any examination authorized by law, the insurance commissioner, or the person or persons by him appointed, shall have power to summon and examine any person being within this State, under oath, which said insurance commissioner, or person or persons, are hereby authorized to administer in relation to the affairs and conditions of any insurance company; and in order that the public