

per centum on the aggregate premiums returned as received, as provided in section six of this act; and the whole of such amounts, or so much thereof as may be necessary, may be assessed upon the organizations belonging to this corporation, and upon all other organizations and agencies as hereinbefore mentioned, in proportion to the several amounts of premiums returned as received by each, as hereinafter provided; and such assessment shall be collectable by this corporation in any of the Courts of Law in the city of Baltimore having jurisdiction, or before any Justice of the Peace in said city of Baltimore, should the amount be too small to give a Court of Law jurisdiction.

Assessment.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That to provide for the payment of persons employed under the provisions of this act, and to maintain the apparatus for saving property contemplated, this corporation is empowered to require a statement to be furnished semi-annually by all corporations, associations, underwriters, agents or persons, of the aggregate gross premiums, deducting cancellations and re-insurance received for insuring property in the city of Baltimore for and during the six months next preceding the thirtieth day of June and the thirty-first day of December in each year; provided, the amount upon which the assessment is to be levied upon deposits for any perpetual policies issued by any such corporation, association, underwriter, agent or person, shall be a sum equal to the interest at the rate of six per centum per annum upon any such deposit received during the six months next preceding any such assessment; which statement shall be sworn to by the president, or principal officer or secretary of the corporation or association, or by the agent or person so acting and effecting such insurance in said city, and shall be handed to the treasurer of this corporation within thirty days after the time to which such returns are to be made.

To furnish statements.