

court, shall have a preference in the distribution of the assets of said corporation.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted,* That any executor, administrator or other trustee, receiver or public officer, having the control of any bonds, stocks, securities, moneys or other valuables belonging to others, shall be and is hereby authorized to deposit the same for safe keeping with said corporation; that in all cases in which public officers, municipal or private corporations are authorized to deposit money, stocks, bonds or evidences of debt, such deposits by such officers or corporation may be made with said corporation.

Deposits by  
executors,  
etc.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted,* That the said corporation shall be and is hereby authorized and empowered to insure the fidelity of persons holding places of trust or responsibility of any State, corporation, company, firms, person or persons whatsoever, to endorse and become security for the faithful performance of any trust, office, duty, contract or agreement, and to supersede any judgment or become surety upon any bond for appeal from any order, judgment or decree of any court of record or justice of the peace; and it is further authorized to become sole surety in all cases where by law two or more sureties are required for the faithful performance of any trust or office, and it shall and may be lawful for any court to approve said corporation as sole surety in all such cases; and in every such case the capital stock of said corporation shall be taken and considered as sufficient security therefor, but in all such cases, the affairs and effects of said corporation shall be subject to an examination if the court should deem it necessary, and the said court may examine, under oath, the officers of said corporation in relation to the affairs, property and effects of said corporation; and it shall be lawful for said corporation to stipulate and provide indemnity from the parties aforesaid for whom it shall so become responsible, and to enforce any bond, contract, agreement, pledge or other security made or given for that purpose.

May insure  
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public  
officials.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted,* That said corporation be, and it is hereby authorized and shall have discretionary powers to invest at its pleasure its capital stock and moneys received on deposit, loan or otherwise; provided, that said corporation, in the investment of funds held by it as trustee, administrator, executor, assignee, guardian, or committee, shall be subject to the laws of this State and the rules of courts now existing or hereafter passed governing investments of such funds

Investment  
of funds.