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may summon and qualify as witnesses under oath and examine its officers, agents and employees or other persons in relation to the affairs, transactions and conditions of the corporation. He shall publish the annual statements rendered to him by this corporation, and also its reports on valuations and verifications thereof he may make or other findings, and shall furnish the society with a certificate of the same.

Additional  
powers given

8 B. In addition to the duties of this corporation mentioned in the preceding section and the powers of investigation therein given to the Insurance Commissioner, this corporation shall be subject also, in his discretion, to any and all other investigations authorized to be made of fraternal orders under the general laws of this State, as now in force or hereafter may be in force, pertaining to the same and for the purpose of giving full publicity as to their condition and transactions; and it shall be required also to file the same papers with the Insurance Commissioner and to pay him the same fees and other charges therefor, and for making examinations, granting license to do business, and for all other purposes as are now or hereafter may be provided in the general laws of this State pertaining to and for the government of fraternal orders.

Money not  
liable to  
attachment.

8 c. That the money or other benefits, charity, relief, or aid, to be paid, provided or rendered by this corporation, or any of its subordinate councils or branches shall, neither before nor after being paid, be liable to attachment, garnishment or other process, and shall not be seized, taken, appropriated or applied by any legal or equitable process or operation of law to pay any debt or liability of a certificate holder or of any beneficiary.

May extend its  
business and  
establish  
subordinate  
councils.

8 D. That subject to its constitution and laws this corporation may extend its business and may from time to time establish subordinate councils or branches in any part of the United States of America or elsewhere and issue to them charters, which shall bear the respective dates of their issue, recite the respective names or titles by which such subordinate councils or branches are to be known, and shall contain the names of their respective officers and trustees or directors for the first year. Upon being organized and receiving its charter from this corporation, each subordinate council or branch shall, by the name mentioned in its charter, become a separate body corporate and politic under this Act, and be