

said bailiffs the amounts that may be due them. The provisions of this section shall not apply to Baltimore County.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved May 4, 1943.

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CHAPTER 547.

(House Bill 534)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 185 of Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "Fraternal Beneficiary Associations". Designating who shall be beneficiaries under fraternal contracts and adding the estate as a lawful beneficiary.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 185 of Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "Fraternal Beneficiary Associations", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

185. BENEFICIARIES. Except as hereinafter provided, the payment of death benefits shall be confined to wife, husband, relative by blood to the fourth degree, estate, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, step-children, children by legal adoption, or to a person or persons dependent upon the member; provided, that if after the issuance of the original certificate the member shall become dependent upon an incorporated charitable institution, he shall have the privilege, with the consent of the association, to make such institution his beneficiary; and provided further, that any fraternal beneficiary association authorized to do business in this State, and which shall as to all or any class of certificates or contracts accumulate and maintain the assets required for the payment, of benefits upon such certificates or contracts, when valued by mortality and interest standards which provide reserves not less than those based upon such mortality tables and interest rates as are permitted by the Insurance Commissioner for fraternal beneficiary associations or life insurance companies, or upon any higher standards, may as to such class enter into such contracts with such persons upon such showing of eligibility in such forms