

any manner from accepting service, and if any citizen or resident of the district shall have any claim by virtue of any insurance policy issued by any such company not represented by attorney in the district, valid service may be made on such company by service on the clerk of the district court or any division thereof: *Provided*, In such case the clerk of the district court shall immediately notify such company and the principal agent for the Pacific coast, inclosing a copy of the service by mail, postpaid: *And provided further*, In such case no proceedings shall be had within sixty days after such service on the clerk.

Fraternal and bene-  
ficial societies.

SEC. 362. All orders or secret societies, such as Masons, Odd Fellows, Druids, Knights of Pythias, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Modern Woodmen of America and other benevolent, fraternal, or cooperative societies associated or incorporated for the sole purpose of mutual protection and relief of its members only, and for the payment of stipulated sums of money to the families of deceased members, or for property of its members only destroyed by fire, are hereby declared not to be fire or insurance companies in the sense and meaning of this chapter, and they are exempt from the provisions hereof.

To whom above pro-  
visions apply.

SEC. 363. The provisions of this chapter, under either term or designation of company, corporation, association, firm, or individual in either case, where either term or designation is used, shall apply to any insurer, company, corporation, association, firm, or individual engaged as insurers or who may hereafter engage as insurers in the district, or who may engage in offering or affording indemnity against the casualties of fire or life.

Penalty for viola-  
tions.

SEC. 364. Any officer, agent, or employee of any insurance company or other person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not less than one hundred nor more than five hundred dollars, and in default of payment of such fine shall be imprisoned not less than ten days nor more than six months.

Fees for filing.

SEC. 365. The secretary of the district shall collect from each company or person for the service provided in this chapter the following fees: For filing certificate of qualification, five dollars; for filing power of attorney, five dollars; and the secretary shall account for the same in the manner provided by law in the case of other fees collected or received by them.

Form of oath.

SEC. 366. Every officer in the district for whom a special oath is not provided by law shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe to the following oath:

I, ———, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will defend and support the Constitution of the United States, and perform all the duties of the office on which I am about to enter, and therein do equal right and justice to all men, so help me God.

Common law made  
applicable.

SEC. 367. So much of the common law as is applicable and not inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States or with any law passed or to be passed by the Congress is adopted and declared to be law within the district of Alaska.

Interpretation of  
words of singular  
number, etc.

SEC. 368. That in the interpretation of this Act words of the singular number shall be deemed to include their plurals, and that words of the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine, as the case may be. Whenever a section of this Act refers to another section, a section of the same title is intended, unless the contrary clearly appears.

Existing rights un-  
affected.

No person shall be deprived of any existing legal right or remedy by reason of the passage of this Act, and all civil actions or proceedings commenced in the courts of the district before or within sixty days after the approval of this Act may be prosecuted to final judgment under the law now in force in the district, or under this Act. All Acts and parts of Acts in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Pending actions.

Repeal.

Approved, June 6, 1900.