

compliance with the order of support, (2) to require the defendant to make payments at specific intervals to its Domestic Relations Division, (3) to punish the defendant who shall violate any order of the court to the same extent as is provided by law for contempt of court.

Section 14. **Costs and Fees.**—No fee shall be required to be paid in advance. The court of an initiating or responding county may, in its discretion, direct that any part of or all fees and costs incurred, including without limitation, by enumeration, fees for filing service of process, seizure of property and stenographic service, shall be paid by the parties or shall be borne by the county in which the costs have been incurred. When the action is brought by or through the state or local public welfare official, there shall be no filing fee.

APPROVED—The 13th day of July, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 96

AN ACT

To further amend the act, approved the seventeenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1092), entitled "An act defining fraternal benefit societies and their status; authorizing such societies to create subordinate lodges and to pay benefits to members and their beneficiaries from funds collected, and regulating such benefits and collections; providing for the organization and incorporation of such societies and for their supervision, regulation, and examination by the Insurance Commissioner, and for the admission of foreign societies; designating tables of mortality as a basis for rates of contribution; requiring all societies to make annual and other reports; and appointing the Insurance Commissioner as attorney for service of process; providing penalties for any violations of the act; exempting such societies from taxation and certain other societies from its provisions; and requiring beneficial associations, other than fraternal benefit societies, to report to and be supervised by the Insurance Commissioner; and repealing existing laws," by further regulating contracts and funds of such societies.

Fraternal benefit societies.

Section 9, act of July 17, 1935, P. L. 1092, amended.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section nine of the act, approved the seventeenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 1092), entitled "An act defining fraternal benefit societies and their status; authorizing such societies to create subordinate lodges and to pay benefits to members and their beneficiaries from funds collected, and regulating such benefits and collections; providing for the organization and incorporation of such societies and for their supervision, regu-

lation, and examination by the Insurance Commissioner, and for the admission of foreign societies; designating tables of mortality as a basis for rates of contribution; requiring all societies to make annual and other reports; and appointing the Insurance Commissioner at attorney for service of process; providing penalties for any violations of the act; exempting such societies from taxation and certain other societies from its provisions; and requiring beneficial associations, other than fraternal benefit societies, to report to and be supervised by the Insurance Commissioner; and repealing existing laws," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 9. Powers to Legislate and Regulate.—Every such society shall provide for the payment of death benefits and may provide for the erection of monuments to mark the graves of its deceased members and shall have power: To make, alter, and amend its constitution and laws for the government of the society, to arrange for the management of its affairs, the admission and classification of its members, to control and regulate terms and conditions governing the issuance of its beneficiary certificates, the character or kind of benefits payable or allowable thereunder, and the manner in which they are to be paid, to fix and adjust rates of contribution, fees, or dues payable by its members and the allotment of the same to the different funds of the society.

Nothing contained in this act shall prevent a society from using terminology that expresses the intent and purpose of the forms issued to the members, except that in the contracts issued such forms shall include, in conspicuous type on the masthead and on the fling back under the name of the society, the words "A Fraternal Benefit Society."

Section 2. Section fifteen of said act, as last amended by the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 403), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 15, said act, as last amended by act of May 25, 1951, P. L. 403, further amended.

Section 15. Funds; Securities.—The funds from which benefits shall be paid and the funds from which expenses of the society shall be defrayed shall be derived from regular monthly or other periodical rates of contribution, [paid by the members of] *received by* the society, and accretions of said funds as apportioned in accordance with the constitution and laws of the society, and no part of any funds set aside for the payment of benefits shall be used for expenses or other purposes, except that any such society having admitted assets, as shown by its last annual statement filed with the Insurance Commissioner, in excess of one hundred per cent of its entire liabilities, including its required reserves computed on a net tabular basis, may transfer or allo-

cate such excess insurance funds to the expense or other funds of the society, in accordance with its constitution and by-laws, but the amount so transferred in any calendar year shall not exceed five per cent of the [total premium income] *contributions to the mortuary fund, exclusive of any receipts for disability or double indemnity*, of such society during the next preceding calendar year. Any such society having admitted assets, as shown by its last annual statement filed with the Insurance Commissioner, in excess of one hundred per cent of its entire liabilities, including its required reserves computed on a net tabular basis, not lower than the American Experience Table of Mortality, with an interest rate of three and one-half per cent, may, in accordance with its constitution and by-laws, provide for the consolidation of its various funds and may report its transactions accordingly: Provided, That no expenses will be incurred that would impair the reserve base or bases which it is using. Except as herein otherwise allowed, every domestic society shall invest its funds only in securities and in the manner permitted by the laws of this Commonwealth for the investment of the funds of life insurance companies and in securities of Federal savings and loan associations, or of other institutions to the extent that such investment is guaranteed by the United States Government or any instrumentality thereof. Unless the approval of the Insurance *Commissioner shall be first obtained in writing, no domestic society shall keep or maintain, at a place outside this Commonwealth, any securities or other assets, except such as are necessary for the collection of current dues and to enable it to comply with the laws of any other state or foreign country for the purpose of transacting business therein.

APPROVED—The 13th day of July, A. D. 1953.

JOHN S. FINE

No. 97

AN ACT

To amend the title and subsection (h) of section 2 of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 654), entitled "An act to provide for the safety and to protect the health and morals of persons while employed; prescribing certain regulations and restrictions concerning places where persons are employed, and the equipment, apparatus, devices and machinery used therein; prescribing certain powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry relative to the enforcement of this act; and fixing penalties," by providing for protection against radiation.

* "Commissioners" in original.