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CHAPTER 413.

AN ACT amendatory of chapter 130, laws of 1903, entitled "An act to prohibit accident and health insurance without a license."

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

License; penalty; accident insurance defined; when not appli-SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 130 of the laws of cable. 1903 is hereby amended by adding to said section, after the word "work" in the last line of said section, the words "or any benefit society connected with any church or religious society," so that said section when so amended, shall read as follows: Section 1. Any person, partnership, corporation, association, society or body of persons, who shall hereafter conduct an accident or health insurance business on the mutual plan in this state without first having complied with the law and received a license from the commissioner of insurance, shall be punished by fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than sixty days nor more than one year or by both such fine and imprisonment. Contracting or agreeing in any way whatsoever to pay indemnity or benefits or paying indemnity or benefits to any person in case of accident or sickness shall be deemed to be an accident or health insurance business. This section shall not apply to fraternal organizations which have a regular lodge system in this state with ritualistic work, or any benefit society connected with any church or religious society.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved May 21, 1903.