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CHAPTER 448.

AN ACT to amend section 1952 of the statutes of 1898 relating to surplus in mutual life insurance companies.

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

Surplus, how distributed. Section 1. Section 1952 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1952. Every life insurance corporation doing business in this state upon the principle of mutual insurance, or the members of which are entitled to share in the surplus funds thereof may make distribution of such surplus as they may have accumulated annually, or once in two, three, four or five years as the directors thereof may from time to time determine. In determining the amount of the surplus to be distributed there shall be reserved an amount not less than the aggregate net value of all the outstanding policies, said value to be computed by the American Experience Table of mortality with interest not exceeding four and one-half per cent. Nothing in this section shall be construed to hereafter permit any such corporation to defer the distribution, apportionment or accounting of surplus to policyholders for a longer period than five years, and on all policies, hereafter outstanding, under the conditions of which the actual distribution is provided for at a definite or fixed period, the apportioned surplus shall be carried as a liability to the class of policies on which the same was accumulated.

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

Approved June 20, 1905.