

**THE INSURANCE CODE OF 1956 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 218 of 1956**

**500.8169 Principal office of domestic society; meetings of supreme governing body; validity of business transacted; minutes; official publication; report, notice, or statement; mailing or publication of synopsis of annual statement; grievance or complaint procedures.**

Sec. 8169.

(1) The principal office of a domestic society shall be located in this state. The meetings of its supreme governing body may be held in any state, district, province, or territory where the society has a subordinate lodge, or in another location as determined by the supreme governing body, and all business transacted at the meetings shall be as valid in all respects as if the meetings were held in this state. The minutes of the proceedings of the supreme governing body and of the board of directors shall be in the English language.

(2) A society may provide in its laws for an official publication in which a notice, report, or statement required by law to be given to members, including notice of election, may be published. A required report, notice, or statement shall be printed conspicuously in the publication. If the records of a society show that 2 or more members have the same mailing address, an official publication mailed to 1 member is considered to be mailed to all members at the same address unless a member requests a separate copy. Not later than June 1 of each year, a synopsis of the society's annual statement providing an explanation of the facts concerning the condition of the society thereby disclosed shall be printed and mailed to each benefit member of the society or published in the society's official publication.

(3) A society may provide in its laws or rules for grievance or complaint procedures for members.

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