



credit of that Office in the account kept in its name at the Treasury under those provisions of the State Trading Concerns Act, 1916 mentioned in subsection (7) of this section, money from time to time in reserves established and maintained by that Office, property and investments in which money is from time to time invested by that Office, money from time to time derived from that property and those investments, money from time to time derived from transactions relating to that property and from transactions relating to those investments, and such other money as may be prescribed by the regulations”;

- (b) deleting the word, “twelve” and the word, “thirteen” in line three of subsection (7);
- (c) adding the following subsections—

- (8) (a) The State Government Insurance Office is authorised and is to be regarded as always having been authorised to establish and maintain reserves for the purpose of carrying out its functions under this Act including the meeting of its liabilities and contingent liabilities and a reserve so established shall not be applied to any purpose other than that for which it was so established without the consent of the Auditor General.

- (b) The Auditor General shall, in considering a request for his consent under paragraph (a) of this subsection, make such enquiries and investigations as to the sufficiency of the reserve as he thinks fit.

- (9) The State Government Insurance Office is authorised and is to be regarded as always having been authorised to

invest such part of the funds mentioned in subsection (5) as is not immediately required for the purposes of its functions under this Act in investments approved by the Treasurer.

(10) (a) In this subsection—

“property” means real and personal property of every kind and includes any estate or interest in that real and personal property;

“to acquire” means to acquire by purchase, exchange, gift, lease, a letting agreement, license, and bailment;

“to dispose of” means to dispose of by sale, exchange, lease, letting, license, and bailment.

(b) The State Government Insurance Office is authorised and is to be regarded as always having been authorised—

- (i) to acquire and dispose of property;
- (ii) to borrow money and obtain credit on the security of property; and
- (iii) to erect, equip, furnish, alter, demolish, replace, and maintain buildings necessary for the purpose of carrying out its functions under this Act.