

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1909 Session of
1975

INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, NOVEMBER 18, 1975

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR RELATIONS, NOVEMBER 18, 1975

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), entitled, as
2 amended, "An act defining the liability of an employer to pay
3 damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of
4 employment; establishing an elective schedule of
5 compensation; providing procedure for the determination of
6 liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing
7 penalties," providing for a reduction in benefits in certain
8 cases.

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

11 Section 1. Section 204, act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736,
12 No.338), known as "The Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Act,"
13 reenacted and amended June 21, 1939 (P.L.520, No.281), and
14 amended December 5, 1974 (P.L.782, No.263), is amended to read:

15 Section 204. No agreement, composition, or release of
16 damages made before the date of any injury shall be valid or
17 shall bar a claim for damages resulting therefrom; and any such
18 agreement is declared to be against the public policy of this
19 Commonwealth. The receipt of benefits from any association,
20 society, or nongovernmental fund shall not bar the recovery of
21 damages by action at law, nor the recovery of compensation under

1 article three hereof; and any release executed in consideration
2 of such benefits shall be void: Provided, however, That if the
3 employe receives unemployment compensation benefits, such amount
4 or amounts so received shall be credited as against the amount
5 of the award made under the provisions of section 108. If any
6 employe receives any Federal Social Security disability
7 benefits, any benefits to which he is otherwise entitled under
8 article three shall be reduced by one dollar (\$1) per week.