

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 549

Session of
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INTRODUCED BY CALTAGIRONE, MARCH 7, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, MARCH 7, 1979

AN ACT

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

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

10 Section 1. Clause (h) of section 306, act of June 2, 1915
11 (P.L.736, No.338), known as "The Pennsylvania Workmen's
12 Compensation Act," reenacted and amended June 21, 1939 (P.L.520,
13 No.281) and added December 5, 1974 (P.L.782, No.263), is amended
14 to read:

15 Section 306. The following schedule of compensation is
16 hereby established:

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18 (h) Any person receiving compensation under sections 306(a),
19 306(b), 306(c)(23), or section 307, as a result of an accident
20 which occurred prior to [the effective date of the amendatory
21 act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.6, No.4)] January 1, 1973 shall

1 have the compensation rate adjusted to the level they would have
2 received had the injury occurred on [the effective date of the
3 amendatory act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.6, No.4)] January 1,
4 1973 and had the injured employe been earning wages equal to
5 [ninety dollars (\$90)] one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per
6 week. The additional compensation shall be paid by the self-
7 insured employer or insurance carrier making payment and shall
8 be reimbursed in advance by the Commonwealth on a quarterly
9 basis as provided in rules and regulations of the department.
10 The payment of additional compensation shall be made by the
11 carrier or self-insured employer only during those fiscal years
12 for which appropriations are made to cover reimbursement.

13 Section 2. (a) This act shall take effect immediately.

14 (b) The increase in compensation payments provided for
15 herein shall commence on July 1 next following the date of final
16 enactment of this amendatory act, provided an appropriation has
17 been made to cover the increase in reimbursements necessary for
18 such increase in compensation payments.