

L. D. 641

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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 110TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT" A"to H.P. 565, L.D. 641, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Attorney's Fees Under the Workers' Compensation Law."

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'<u>39 MRSA §110</u>, as last amended by PL 1979, c. 132, §2, is further amended by adding after the first paragraph a new paragraph to read:

For services rendered in connection with the preparation, review or approval of any agreement under this Act --->or for services rendered in connection with any proceeding in which the employer prevails, no attorney's fee in excess of \$200 may be assessed by the commission against the employer.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment allows payment of attorney's fees of up to \$200 in those cases where the employee loses and in undisputed cases where the attorney merely reviews or approves an agreement. It ensures that employees will be able to obtain the services of an attorney in all workers' compensation cases.

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