

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 865

H. P. 640

House of Representatives, February 2, 1965

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Truman of Biddeford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Provide Witness and Attorney Fees Under Workmen's Compensation Act.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., T. 39, § 95, amended. Section 95 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

'In case any person in interest shall file in the office of the commission a petition for award of compensation, the commissioner conducting any hearing under this Title, may, in his discretion, allow against the employer and to the employee, or persons in interest to the employee, in whose favor an award of compensation is entered, reasonable costs of witness fees and a reasonable attorney fee, when in the judgment of the commissioner the services of an attorney, medical and other witness or witnesses were necessary for the proper presentation of the case on behalf of the employee, or persons in interest to the employee, as the case may be. Such allowance or allowances against the employer and to the employee, or persons in interest to the employee, shall be in addition to the award for compensation and in an amount or amounts approved by the commissioner and payable as the commissioner may direct.'