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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 608 House of Representatives, February 14, 1967 Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bennett of Old Town.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Clarifying Compensation for Disfigurement Under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

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

R. S., T. 39, § 56, amended. Section 56 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 5 of chapter 408 and section 6 of chapter 489, both of the public laws of 1965, is further amended by adding at the end thereof, the following paragraph:

The commission may award proper and equitable compensation for serious facial or head disfigurement not to exceed \$1,500, including a disfigurement continuous in length which is partially in the facial area and also extends into the neck region. The commission, if in its opinion the earning capacity of an employee has been or may in the future be impaired, may award compensation for any serious disfigurement in the region above the sterno clavicular articulations anterior to and including the region of the sterno cleido mastoid muscles on either side, but no award for the total disfigurement as set forth shall, in the aggregate, exceed \$1,500. Notwithstanding any other provisions hereof, 2 or more serious disfigurements, not continuous in length, resulting from the same injury, if partially in the facial area and partially in the neck region as described in the preceding sentence, shall be deemed to be a facial disfigurement.