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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 107TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT " A" to H. P. 487, L.D. 606, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Interest on Awards in Workmen's Compensation Cases."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'§72. Interest on awards

Upon each award of the Industrial Accident
Commission interest shall be assessed from the
date on which the last filed petition for award
is filed at a rate of 6% per year, provided
that if the prevailing party at any time requests
and obtains a continuance for a period in excess
of 30 days interest will be suspended for the
duration of the continuance. From and after the
date of award, interest shall be allowed at the
rate of 10% per year. This section shall not apply
to claims involving employees of the State of
Maine.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment brings workmen's compensation awards in line with judgments in civil actions as outlined in Title 14, section 1602. This amendment would reduce unnecessary delay in compensating injured workers. The amendment excludes from coverage awards made to state employees when the award is subject to appropriation or allotment of state funds.

(Roberts)

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