

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 165

H. P. 586

House of Representatives, January 29, 1935.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed.
Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Donahue of Biddeford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT relating to medical attendance of injured employees.

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

R. S., c. 55, § 9, amended. The 1st 2 paragraphs of section 9 of chapter 55 of the revised statutes are hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof: 'During the first 30 days after an injury aforesaid, the employee shall be entitled to reasonable and proper medical and surgical and hospital services, nursing, medicines and mechanical surgical aids when they are needed. The amount of such services and aids shall not exceed ~~\$100 two hundred dollars~~ unless a longer period or greater ~~sum amount~~ is allowed by the commission, which in its discretion, it may allow when the nature of the injury or the process of recovery requires it.

Upon knowledge or notice of such injury the employer shall promptly furnish to the employee the services and aids aforesaid, but the employee may select a physician or surgeon other than the one provided by the insurer. In case the employee shall be treated by a physician or surgeon of his own selection, or where, in case of an emergency or for other justifiable cause, a physician or surgeon other than the one provided by the employer is called into treat or operate upon the injured employee, the reasonable cost of his services shall be paid by the employer and insurer, subject to approval of the commission. In any case where the commission is of the opinion that the fitting of the employee with an artificial eye or

limb, or other mechanical appliance will promote his restoration to industry, it shall order that he be provided with such an artificial eye, limb or appliance, at the expense of the employer and insurer.'