

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 480

S. P. 444

In Senate, February 12, 1935.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Fernald of Waldo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Compensation Under the Workmen's Compensation
Act.

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

Sec. I. R. S., c. 55, § 11, amended. Section 11 of chapter 55 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 11. Compensation for total incapacity. While the incapacity for work resulting from the injury is total, the employer shall pay the injured employee a weekly compensation equal to ~~two-thirds~~ $\frac{3}{4}$ his average weekly wages, earnings or salary, but not more than ~~eighteen dollars~~ \$20 nor less than ~~six dollars~~ \$8 a week; and in no case shall the period covered by such compensation be greater than 500 weeks from the 8th day following the accident, nor the amount more than \$6,000. In the following cases it shall, for the purposes of this act, be conclusively presumed that the injury resulted in permanent total incapacity: the total and irrevocable loss of sight in both eyes, the loss of both hands at or above the wrist, the loss of both feet at or above the ankle, the loss of 1 hand and 1 foot, an injury to the spine resulting in permanent and complete paralysis of the arms or legs, and an injury to the skull resulting in incurable imbecility or insanity.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 55, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 55 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. Compensation for partial incapacity. While the incapacity for work resulting from the injury is partial, the employer shall pay the injured employee a weekly compensation equal to ~~two-thirds~~ $\frac{3}{4}$ the difference due to said injury, between his average weekly wages, earnings or salary before the accident and the weekly wages, earnings or salary which he is able to earn thereafter, but not more than ~~eighteen dollars~~ \$20 a week; and in no case shall the period covered by such compensation be greater than 300 weeks from the 8th day following the accident.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 55, § 14, amended. The 1st sentence of section 14 of chapter 55 of the revised statutes as amended is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'If death results from the injury, the employer shall pay the dependents of the employee, wholly dependent upon his earnings for support at the time of his accident, a weekly payment equal to ~~two-thirds~~ $\frac{3}{4}$ his average weekly wages, earnings or salary, but not more than ~~eighteen dollars~~ \$20 nor less than ~~six dollars~~ \$8, a week, from the date of death for a period ending 300 weeks from the date of the accident, and in no case to exceed \$4000.'