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House of Representatives, February 22, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Labor, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Delahanty of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend the Workmen's Compensation Act as to Waiting Period and Compensation Benefits.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 26, § 10, amended. Section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 380 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 10. Waiting period: when compensation therefor payable. No compensation, except medical benefits, shall be payable for the first 7 days of incapacity; provided, however, that in case incapacity continues for more than 7 days, compensation shall be allowed from the date of incapacity.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 26, § 11, amended. The 1st sentence of section 11 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 380 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby further amended to read as follows: 'While the incapacity for work resulting from the injury is total, the employer shall pay the injured employee a weekly compensation equal to $\frac{2}{3}$ his average weekly wages, earnings or salary, but not more than ~~\$24~~ \$30, nor less than ~~\$12~~ \$15 a week; and in no case shall the period covered by

such compensation be greater than 500 weeks from the date of the accident, nor the amount more than ~~\$9,000~~ \$12,000.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 26, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 380 of the public laws of 1949, is hereby further 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 $\frac{2}{3}$ 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 ~~\$24~~ \$30 a week; and in no case shall the period covered by such compensation be greater than 300 weeks from the date of the accident.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 26, § 15, amended. The 1st sentence of section 15 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 4 of chapter 380 of the public laws of 1949, 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 $\frac{2}{3}$ his average weekly wages, earnings or salary, but not more than ~~\$24~~ \$30 nor less than ~~\$9~~ \$15 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 ~~\$6,000~~ \$7,500.'