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Legislative Document

No. 746

H. P. 670

House of Representatives, February 15, 1955.

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Davis of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Compensation Benefits Under Workmen's Compensation Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 31, § 11, amended. The 1st sentence of section 11 of chapter 31 of the revised statutes is hereby 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 ~~\$27~~ \$33 nor less than ~~\$15~~ \$21 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 ~~\$10,500~~ \$12,000.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 31, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 31 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 $\frac{2}{3}$ 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 ~~\$27~~ \$33 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. 3. R. S., c. 31, § 15, amended. The 1st sentence of section 15 of chapter 31 of the revised statutes is hereby 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 acci-

dent, a weekly payment equal to $\frac{2}{3}$ his average weekly wages, earnings or salary, but not more than ~~\$27~~ \$33 nor less than ~~\$15~~ \$21 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 ~~\$8,000~~ \$9,500.

Sec. 4. Effective date. This act shall become effective on November 30, 1955.