

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, April 26, 1957.

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No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Claims for Compensation for Inguinal Hernia.**

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

**R. S., c. 31, § 8-A, additional.** Chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section, to be numbered 8-A, to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 8-A. Claims for compensation for inguinal hernia. In all cases of inguinal hernia claims it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the Commission:**

**I. That the descent of the inguinal hernia immediately followed as the result of sudden effort, severe strain or the application of force directly to the abdominal wall;**

**II. That there was severe pain in the inguinal hernial region;**

**III. That the occurrence of the inguinal hernia was noticed by the claimant and communicated to the employer within 48 hours;**

**IV. That the physical distress following the occurrence of the inguinal hernia was such as to require the attendance of a licensed physician or surgeon within 72 hours of such occurrence.’**