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Section 47. If for the purpose of obtaining any benefit or payment under the provisions of this act, either for himself or for any other person, any one wilfully makes a false statement or representation, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and liable to a fine of not exceeding fifty dollars, and he shall forfeit all right to compensation under this act after conviction for such offense.

Section 48. The duties of the commission shall begin on the first day of October, A. D., nineteen hundred fifteen, but the provisions of this act shall not apply to injuries sustained, or accidents which occur prior to January one A. D., nineteen hundred sixteen.

Section 49. The Commission shall have authority to provide blank forms of notices, agreements and other forms required in its department under this act.

Section 50. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Section 51. This act may be cited as the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Approved April 1, 1915.

Chapter 296.

An Act to Amend Chapter Thirty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Eleven, as Amended by Chapter Twenty-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Thirteen, Relating to the Weekly Payment of Wages.

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

Chapter thirty-nine of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred eleven, as amended by chapter twenty-six of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred thirteen is further amended by striking out all of said chapter and inserting in place thereof the following:

Every corporation, person or partnership, engaged in a manufacturing, mechanical, mining, quarrying, mercantile, street railway, telegraph or telephone business; in any of the building trades; upon public works, or in the construction or repair of street railways, roads, bridges, sewers, gas, water or electric light works, pipes or lines; every incorporated express company or water company; and every steam railroad company or corporation shall pay weekly each employee engaged in his or its business the wages earned by him to within eight days of the date of said payment, but any employee, leaving his or her employment, shall be paid in full on the following regular pay day,

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--penalty for making false statement.

Duties of Commission, when to begin.

--provisions of act, and when to apply.

Commission shall provide forms.

--inconsistent acts repealed.

Ch. 39, P. L., 1911, as amended by Ch. 26, P. L., 1913, further amended.

Weekly payment of wages provided for.

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—proviso.

—State employees.

—county and city employees.

—town employees.

—act not to apply in certain cases.

—penalty for violation of this act.

provided, that when an employee is discharged he shall be paid the wages due him on demand; and the State, its officers, boards and commissions shall so pay every mechanic, workman and laborer who is employed by it or them, and every county and city shall so pay every employee who is engaged in its business the wages or salary earned by him, unless such mechanic, workman, laborer or employee requests in writing to be paid in a different manner; and every town shall so pay each employee in its business if so required by him; but an employee who is absent from his regular place of labor at a time fixed for payment shall be paid thereafter on demand. The provisions of this section shall not apply to an employee engaged in cutting and hauling logs and lumber, nor the driving of same until it reaches its place of destination for sale or manufacture; nor to an employee of a cooperative corporation or association if he is a stockholder therein unless he requests such corporation to pay him weekly. No corporation, contractor, person or partnership shall by a special contract with an employee or by any other means exempt himself or itself from the provisions of this act. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars.'

Approved April 1, 1915.

Chapter 297.

An Act Relating to the Appointment of Appraisers by the Probate Courts.

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

Appraisers of property may be appointed by judge or register of probate.

Appraisers of the property of deceased persons, or persons under guardianship, and of property held by testamentary trustees, may be appointed by the judge or register of probate; and the judge or register may appoint only one appraiser, if in his opinion, the nature of the property makes it advisable so to do.

Approved April 1, 1915.