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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Chapter 263

AN ACT Increasing Burial Expenses Under Workmen's Compensation Act.

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

R. S., c. 31, § 16, amended. Section 16 of chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 16. Burial expenses. If the employee dies as a result of the injury, the employer shall pay, in addition to any compensation and medical benefits provided for in this act, the reasonable expenses of burial, not to exceed ~~\$350~~ \$450.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 264

AN ACT Relating to Hearing Injuries under Workmen's Compensation Law.

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

R. S., c. 31, § 13, amended. The last paragraph of section 13 of chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 393 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'In all other cases of injury to the above-mentioned members ~~or~~, eyes ~~or~~ hearing where the usefulness of any physical function thereof is permanently impaired, the specific compensable periods for presumed total incapacity on account thereof shall bear such relation to the periods above specified as the percentage of permanent impairment due to the injury to such members ~~or~~, eyes ~~or~~ hearing shall bear to the total loss thereof. The commission upon petition therefor by either party shall determine such percentage. A petition for determination of the percentage of permanent hearing impairment due to an injury shall be filed with the commission within 2 years from the date of the accident.'

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 265

AN ACT Providing Special Disability Compensation for Members of Organized Police Departments.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 31, § 69, amended. That part of section 69 of chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes numbered 16, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 391 of the public laws of 1955, is amended to read as follows:

'16. Pulmonary and cardiac diseases, excluding common colds.

16. Caused to an active member of an organized fire or police department while participating at fires, and developing within 6 months of such participation.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall take effect on November 30, 1959.

Effective November 30, 1959