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within 10 days of its delivery to such person and to have a refund of the premium paid, if after examination of the policy the purchaser is not satisfied with it for any reason. The provision shall be set forth in the policy under an appropriate caption and, if not so printed on the face page of the policy, adequate notice of the provision shall be printed or stamped conspicuously on the face page.

2. The policy may be so returned to the insurer at its home or branch office or to the agent through whom it was applied for, and thereupon shall be void as from the beginning and as if the policy had not been issued.

Effective October 1, 1975

#### CHAPTER 169

AN ACT Relating to Pulmonary and Cardiac Diseases under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

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

39 MRSA §§ 64-B and 64-C are enacted to read:

§ 64-B. Cardiovascular injury or disease or pulmonary disease suffered by a fire fighter

If any person has been an active member of a municipal fire department or of a volunteer fire fighters' association for at least 2 years prior to a cardiovascular injury or the onset of a cardiovascular disease or pulmonary disease and if said disease has developed or the injury has occurred within 6 months of having participated in fire fighting or training or drill which actually involves fire fighting, it shall be presumed, unless the employer proves the contrary by a preponderance of the evidence, that the employee received the injury or contracted the disease arising out of and in the course of his employment, that sufficient notice of the injury or disease has been given, and that the injury or disease was not occasioned by the willful intention of the employee to injure himself or another.

§ 64-C. Cardiovascular injury or disease or pulmonary disease resulting in a firefighter's death

If any person had been an active member of a municipal fire department or of a volunteer fire fighters' association for at least 2 years prior to a cardiovascular injury or the onset of a cardiovascular disease or pulmonary disease and provided that the person had developed the disease or had suffered the injury which resulted in death within 6 months of having a cardiovascular disease or pulmonary disease which resulted in his death, and had participated in fire fighting or training or drill which actually involves fire fighting, it shall be presumed, unless his employer proves to the contrary by a preponderance of the evidence, that the person received the injury or disease arising out of and in the course of his employment, that sufficient notice of the injury or disease was given, and that the injury or disease was not occasioned by the willful intention of the employee to injure himself or another.