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~~Executive Director, Historic Preservation Commission;~~

Assistant Adjutant General.

Effective September 14, 1979.

CHAPTER 490
H. P. 1380 — L. D. 1605

AN ACT to Ensure the Prompt Decision of Cases Before the Workers' Compensation Commission.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 9-B, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 638, is amended by inserting at the end the following new sentence:

The committee established pursuant to this section shall also have authority to hear claims of workers' compensation commissioners as to just cause for failing to meet the requirements of Title 39, section 99-B.

Sec. 2. 39 MRSA § 99-B is enacted to read:

§ 99-B. Prompt decision required

The commissioner who hears a case pursuant to section 99 shall render his decision no later than 30 days after each party has completed presenting its case. Whenever the commissioner exceeds the limit contained in this section, compensation to him shall be forfeited effective the day after the 30th day and for each day until the decision has been issued; provided that this provision shall not apply in any case for which the commissioner has shown just cause, as determined by the committee on judicial responsibility and disability established pursuant to Title 4, section 9-B, for delay beyond 30 days.

Sec. 3. Claims affected. Section 2 shall be effective with regard to claims submitted for decision on or after January 1, 1980. Claims submitted prior to January 1, 1980, shall be decided no later than February 1, 1980.

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CHAPTER 491
H. P. 1441 — L. D. 1643

AN ACT to Regulate the Distribution, Labeling and Sale of Plant and Soil Amendments.