

gence of any agent or agents, employe or employes, and if the negligence causing such injury be found to consist of the joint or collective negligence of both the employer, his agent or agents, employe or employes, on the one hand, and of the negligence of the injured employe on the other hand, then it shall be the duty of the jury, or of the Court sitting as a jury, to determine and ascertain as near as may be the proportion of such negligence of which each has been guilty, and having ascertained and determined such proportions of negligence causing the injury, it shall be the duty of the jury, or of the Court sitting as a jury, to apportion the damages arising from said injury in like proportion or degree and award to the plaintiff or plaintiffs the proportion of damages suffered which it shall have been determined was the proportion of the defendant or defendants' negligence contributing to the injury complained of.

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Section 195 b of Article 1 and Section 149 b of Article 12. Provided, that no employer, owner or operator shall be liable under the foregoing section of this Act if the said employer, owner or operator shall pay annually in advance in monthly instalments, to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Maryland, on the first Monday in each month, the following sums of money, respectively, one-half of which sums may be deducted by such owner, employer or operator from the wages of their employes, and the employer shall inform their employes of the provisions of this section, and make the same a condition of their employment, to wit, as follows: Any coal mine or clay mine employer or employers shall pay said Insurance Commissioner the annual sum of one dollar and eighty cents for each and every person employed on its pay roll in the State of Maryland; provided, however, that no employer liable under the preceding section of this Act shall be entitled to take advantage of this section of this Act and its provisions, unless the said party shall on the first Monday of each month make a report under oath to the Insurance Commissioner aforesaid, stating the number of persons actually employed in Maryland, and on its pay roll during the preceding month, and the estimated number to be employed during the month of the report, and shall pay the monthly instalment above required.

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Section 195 c of Article 1 and Section 149 of Article 12. It is hereby made the duty of the Insurance Commissioner of Maryland to receive and safe custody keep of all such sums of money or insurance premium as may be paid to him under the provisions of this Act, and to keep such monies in a distinct fund free from all other monies which may come to

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