

Edition), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "Claims and Compensation; Benefits", to increase the amount which employers may be required to pay for medical, hospital and nursing services.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 49 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "Claims and Compensation; Benefits", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

49. In addition to the compensation provided for herein, the employer shall promptly provide for an injured employee such medical, surgical or other attendance or treatment, nurse and hospital services, medicines, crutches, apparatus, artificial hands, arms, feet and legs as may be required by the Commission in an amount not to exceed seven hundred and fifty dollars; and shall, in the discretion of and at the direction of the Commission, be required to provide additional hospital services to an amount not exceeding Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars. The Commission shall not direct any expenditure for such additional hospitalization until and unless the necessity for the same is certified to by a physician attending the injured person or a physician engaged by the employer, or both, and is established to the satisfaction of the Commission. No part of the sum hereinabove provided for additional hospital services shall be used directly or indirectly for any other purpose; provided, however, that the employer shall repair or replace any eye-glasses, artificial limb, eye, tooth or other part that shall be damaged or destroyed as a result of an accident during the course of employment and if the eye-glasses, artificial limb, eye, tooth or other part is not required or replaced within three days following its damage or destruction, then the employer shall pay the employee such compensation for his lost time; if any, after the three-day waiting period, as the Commission may direct. If an employer fails to provide the same, the injured employee may do so at the expense of the employer. All fees and other charges for such treatment and services shall be subject to regulation by the Commission, and shall be limited to such charges as prevail in the same community for similar treatment of injured persons of a like standard of living, and in case death ensues from the injury within three years, reasonable funeral expenses shall be allowed, not to exceed the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars. Any bill for funeral expenses contracted for an amount in excess of one hundred and twenty-five dollars shall be null and void and uncollectible either out of the compensation allowed or out of the personal assets of those obligating themselves to