

Commission may determine. if there be such surviving dependents, and if there be none such, then the compensation shall cease.

Compensation under this Article to alien dependent widows, children and parents, not residents of the United States, shall be the same in amount as is provided in each case for residents, except that at any time within one year after an accident resulting in death the Commission may, in its discretion, convert any payments thereafter to become due to such beneficiaries into lump sum payment, not in any case to exceed twenty-four hundred dollars, by paying a sum equal to three-fourths of the then value of such payments.

Non-resident alien dependents may be officially represented by the consular officers of the nation of which such alien or aliens may be citizens or subjects, and in such cases the consular officers shall have the right to receive, for distribution to such non-resident alien dependents, all compensation awarded hereunder, and the receipt of such consular officers shall be a full discharge of all sums paid to and received by them.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1945.

Approved March 24, 1945.

CHAPTER 336.

(House Bill 126)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (3) of Section 48 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "Claims and Compensation; Benefits", increasing certain payments and further defining hernia.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sub-section (3) of Section 48 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "Claims and Compensation; Benefits", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

48. (3). (Permanent Partial Disability). In case of disability partial in character but permanent in quality, the compensation shall be sixty-six and two-thirds per centum