

CHAPTER 123.

(Senate Bill 109)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 27 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "State Accident Fund", eliminating the provision limiting the amount which may be assessed for paying the expenses of the State Industrial Accident Commission and the expenses of administering the State Accident Fund.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 27 of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "State Accident Fund", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

27. The entire expenses of the State Industrial Accident Commission, shall be paid in the first instance by the State out of the monies appropriated for the maintenance thereof.

As soon as practicable after January 1st of each year, the State Industrial Accident Commission shall ascertain as fully and accurately as possible the total payroll of all the employers of this State, subject to the provisions of this Article, for the preceding calendar year, whether insured in the State Accident Fund, any stock company, or mutual association, or self-insured, and shall also calculate and ascertain the amount paid by the State for administrative expenses of the State Industrial Accident Commission during said preceding calendar year. The said Commission shall then calculate and determine the percentage which the total amount of such salaries and expenses bore to the total payroll, ascertained as aforesaid for that year, of all the employers of this State subject to the provisions of this Article; and the percentage so calculated and determined shall be assessed against all such employers carrying their own insurance in proportion to their several payrolls, and all insurance carriers, including the State Accident Fund, in proportion to the aggregate payroll of employers insured therewith, as a special tax for the maintenance of the State Industrial Accident Commission for each calendar year ending December thirty-first.

Payment of said taxes may be enforced by civil action in the name of the State of Maryland, and the amounts so assessed and collected by the State Industrial Accident Commission shall be paid into the State Treasury to reimburse the State for this portion of the expense of administering the Workmen's Compensation Law. And the said Commission shall be and is