

THE EMPLOYEE'S ESTABLISHED WEEKLY WAGES ARE LESS THAN FIFTEEN DOLLARS PER WEEK AT THE TIME OF THE INJURY, IN WHICH EVENT HE SHALL RECEIVE COMPENSATION EQUAL TO HIS FULL WAGES, BUT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500. AND SUBJECT TO RECONSIDERATION OF THE DEGREE OF SUCH IMPAIRMENT BY THE COMMISSION ON ITS OWN MOTION OR UPON APPLICATION OF ANY PARTY IN INTEREST.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the increased payments provided for by this Act shall not be construed to apply to or to be paid for any permanent total disability occurring prior to the effective date of this Act.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved April 25, 1955.

CHAPTER 561

(Senate Bill 119)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 35(3) (a) and 35(3) (b) of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "Claims and Compensation: Benefits", increasing the compensation for certain forms of permanent partial disability under the Workmen's Compensation Laws of this State.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 35(3) (a) and 35(3) (b) of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Workmen's Compensation", sub-title "Claims and Compensation: Benefits", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

35.

(3).

(a). In case of disability partial in character but permanent in quality, the compensation shall be sixty-six and two-thirds per centum of the average weekly wages, in no case to exceed ~~Twenty-five Dollars~~ *Thirty-five Dollars* per week and not less than a minimum of Fifteen Dollars per week unless the employee's established weekly wages are less than Fifteen Dollars per week at the time of the injury, in which event he shall receive compensation equal to his full wages, but in no case to exceed ~~Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)~~ *Twelve Thousand Five Hundred*

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.