SEC. 9. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

CHAPTER 554

(Senate Bill 415)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 14 (b) of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Workmen's Compensation," subtitle "Workmen's Compensation Commission," and to repeal Section 17 of said Article and said title, subtitle "Suit—Methods of Insurance," of said Code, and to enact new Section 17 in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed, requiring the chairman of the Commission to file his report to the Governor as soon as practicable after the end of the fiscal year; RELATING TO THE REPORT FILED EACH YEAR BY THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION COMMISSION AND THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS TO THE COMMISSION; providing for the expenses of the Commission to be calculated and levied against the insurers on a fiscal year basis; and establishing the procedure therefor.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 14 (b) of Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Workmen's Compensation," subtitle "Workmen's Compensation Commission," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, and that Section 17 of said Article and said title, subtitle "Suit—Methods of Insurance," of said Code, be and it is hereby repealed, and new Section 17 be and it is hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed, all to read as follows:

14.

(b) The chairman of the Commission shall each year make a report to the Governor converge on the force of the fiscal year, including suggestions and recommendations as to improvements in the administration of the law, a detailed statement of receipts and disbursements and statistical analyses of industrial injuries, experiences, and compensation costs.

17.

- (a) The entire expenses of the Workmen's Compensation Commission, shall be paid in the first instance by the State out of the monies appropriated for the maintenance thereof.
- (b) For purposes of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
- (1) Insurance Carrier.—The State Accident Fund; any stock corporation or mutual association authorized to transact the business of workmen's compensation insurance in this State; or any employer who is self-insured as allowed by subsection (3) of section 16 of this Article.