

more than twenty-four (24) months.

(b) The Commission, upon receiving a report from the rehabilitation evaluation agency, shall promptly notify all parties of the contents of the report. Any party in interest may within ten (10) days from the date of issuance of the report, request a hearing to controvert the report. At the hearing, the parties may present additional evidence as necessary. Following the hearing, the Commission shall make a decision accepting or rejecting in whole or in part the vocational rehabilitation agency report and issue an appropriate order regarding vocational rehabilitation of the employee.

(c) During the period an employee is undergoing vocational rehabilitation training, he shall be entitled to compensation as if he were temporarily totally disabled.

(d) Any employee undergoing vocational rehabilitation training in the course of which he is required to live at a location other than his home, shall also be entitled to receive in addition to the temporary total compensation provided for herein, sufficient funds to adequately maintain himself during the period of vocational rehabilitation training, but in no case to exceed forty dollars per week. The maintenance so provided shall be at the expense of the employer and insurer.

(e) Transportation costs to and from the place of training are not reimbursable to a claimant residing at home during vocational rehabilitation training, except that the Commission may allow reasonable transportation costs in unusual cases.

(f) If an employee refuses to accept vocational rehabilitation training, pursuant to an order of the Commission, and the Commission determines the refusal to be unreasonable, all payments of compensation for temporary total disability shall be forfeited during the period of refusal.

(g) This subsection shall apply only to injuries occurring on or after July 1, 1968.

(10) (a) Any employee who is permanently and totally disabled as the result of any injury suffered prior to July 1, 1973, and July 1, 1965, and who is receiving benefits as a result of the injury on July 1, 1973, for permanent and total disability shall be entitled to a supplemental allowance of compensation as calculated under paragraph (b) provided that the