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Amendment of the Principal Act.

Amendment

- 2. (1.) The proviso to subsection la of section of s. 82 (1A) eighty-two of the Principal Act, being the proviso commencing with the words "Provided nothing hereinbefore contained" and ending with the words "and whether fixed by any such award or not," is hereby repealed.
 - (2.) The amendment of the Principal Act made by subsection one of this section shall be deemed to have been made therein on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six, and shall have retrospective effect and operation accordingly.

1 EDW. VIII. An Act to Amend "The Workers' Compensation Acts, 1916 to 1935," in certain particulars. THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION

[Assented to 26th November, 1936.]

Acts AMENDMENT ACT OF 1936.

E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

Short title and construction.

1. This Act may be cited as "The Workers' Compensation Acts Amendment Act of 1936," and shall be read as one with *"The Workers' Compensation Acts, 1916 to 1935," herein referred to as the Principal Act.

Collective title.

The Principal Act and this Act may collectively be cited as "The Workers' Compensation Acts, 1916 to 1936."

Amendments of the Principal Act.

Amendment of s. 14 (1).

- 2. Subsection one of section fourteen of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—
- (a) In paragraph (i.) of provision (A), the words "six hundred" are repealed and the words "seven hundred and fifty" are inserted in lieu thereof.
- (b) In paragraph (ii.) of provision (A), after the word "dependants," where it last occurs in the said paragraph, the following words are added, namely:—
 "but not less than one hundred and fifty pounds."

^{* 6} Geo. V. No. 35 and amending Acts, supra, pages 9851 et seq. See Alphabetical Table.

- (c) The following new paragraph (iv.) is added to provision (A) as follows:—
 - "(iv.) If the worker, being a person under the age of twenty-one years, leaves no dependants, but is survived by either or both parents resident within the State, such parent or parents shall be deemed to be dependants of such worker, and the amount of compensation payable under the provisions of this paragraph shall be the sum of one hundred pounds."
- (d) The following amendments are made in the Table to provision (C), as follows:—
- (i.) The words "or of the greater part of the arm," where they twice occur, are repealed.
- - "Loss of two joints of the forefinger of the right hand 93 15 0"
 - (iii.) After the words and figures—
 "Loss of the forefinger of the left hand 112 10 0"
- the following words and figures are inserted, namely:
 - "Loss of two joints of the forefinger of the left hand 75 0 0"
 - (iv.) After the words and figures—
- "Loss of the little finger of the hand 90 0 0" the following words and figures are inserted, namely:—
 - "Loss of two joints of the little finger of the hand 63 15 0"
 - (v.) After the words and figures—
 - "Loss of the middle or ring finger of the hand 60 0 0"
- the following words and figures are inserted, namely:—
 - "Loss of two joints of the middle or ring finger of the hand ... 48 15 0"

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- (vi.) The words and figures, namely:—
- "Loss of any other toe or of a joint of a finger 37 10 0" are repealed and the following words and figures are inserted in lieu thereof, namely:—
 - "Loss of any other toe or of the distal joint of a finger ... 37 10 0"

Amendment of s. 14A.

3. Section 14A of the Principal Act is amended, as follows:—

In the Table of Industrial Diseases, under the heading of "Description of Diseases," the following words are repealed, namely:—

"Weil's disease, an infectious disease due to the presence of the micro-organism Leptospira Icterohæmorrhagiæ,"

and the following words are inserted in lieu thereof, namely:—

"Weil's disease, an infectious disease in which the presence or the activity of the microorganism Spirochæte (leptospira) Icterohæmorrhagiæ has been demonstrated."

Amendment of s. 14B.

4. Section 14B of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—

Subsections six and seven are repealed and the following new subsections six and seven are respectively inserted in lieu thereof, namely:—

"(6.) Payments of compensation under this section shall be made out of the Fund:

Provided that a portion of the expenditure incurred in any year under this section may be paid out of and borne by the ordinary Workers' Compensation Account of the Fund, but such portion shall not exceed ten thousands pounds unless the Governor in Council directs that a larger portion shall be so paid and borne in respect of any particular year.

(7.) The Insurance Commissioner may from time to time charge such additional premiums on State accident insurance policies issued under this Act to employers in the employments mentioned in the second column of the table in subsection one hereof as he may find necessary towards providing the compensation payable under this section and the cost of administration of the provisions thereof."