

# SENATE . . . . No. 340

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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SENATE, April 4, 1929.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to which was referred the House Bill relative to the fees of physicians appearing before the Department of Industrial Accidents on behalf of injured employees in certain cases (House, No. 1170), reports recommending that the same be amended by substituting therefor a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 340), and that, when so amended, the same will be correctly drawn.

For the committee,

HENRY F. RIPLEY.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Nine.

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An Act relative to the Fees of Physicians appearing before the Department of Industrial Accidents on behalf of Injured Employees in certain Cases.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the  
2 General Laws is hereby amended by inserting  
3 after section nine the following new section:—  
4 *Section 9A.* Whenever a medical question is  
5 in dispute in any case, and an impartial physician  
6 has not, prior to seven days before the date  
7 assigned for hearing thereon, been appointed by  
8 the department or a member thereof, the em-  
9 ployee may engage his own physician to appear  
10 and testify in his behalf and, if the decision of the  
11 single member or of the department is in favor  
12 of the employee, a reasonable fee shall be allowed  
13 by the member or by the department for such  
14 physician's services and shall be added to the  
15 amount awarded to the employee and be paid by  
16 the insurer under the provisions of this chapter.



