
Accompanying the first recommendation of the Division of Industrial Accidents (House, No. 101). Commerce and Labor.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three.

AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE FILING OF DECISIONS BY A MEMBER OF THE INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD.

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 152 of the General Laws is hereby amended by strik-
2 ing out Section 8, as most recently amended by Section 2 of
3 Chapter 742, of the Acts of 1972, and inserting in place thereof
4 the following new section: —

5 *Section 8* — Such Member shall make such inquiries and in-
6 vestigations as shall be deemed necessary. The hearing shall be
7 held in the town where the accident occurred or in such other
8 place as the Chairman may designate, and the decision of the
9 Member shall be filed with the Division within forty-five days of
10 the hearing, unless further extension is authorized by the Chair-
11 man. The evidence at the hearing shall be taken with or without
12 the aid of electronic recording, and shall be transcribed verbatim,
13 but only on the request of the member; however, if a claim of
14 review is filed, a verbatim transcript shall be forwarded to all
15 parties without charge. The decision of the Member shall be en-
16 forceable under Section Eleven. If a claim for review is filed by
17 either party within ten days from the filing of the decision by the
18 single Member, a statement of the evidence, his findings of fact,
19 rulings of law, and other matters pertinent to questions arising
20 before him shall be filed by the Member.

and a committee of the House of Representatives to investigate the same.

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