
By Mr. Cassidy of Webster, petition of Francis E. Cassidy that provision be made for compensating injured employees for facial disfigurement. Judiciary (Joint). Jan. 14, 1924.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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

An Act to provide for the Payment of Compensation for Facial Disfigurement under the Workmen's Compensation Law.

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

1 Section thirty-six of chapter one hundred and fifty-two
2 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding at the
3 end thereof the following new paragraph:—(f) For dis-
4 figurement of the face or head, such sum not more than
5 fifteen hundred dollars, as the department may deter-
6 mine,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 36.* In case
7 of the following specified injuries the amounts herein-
8 after named shall be paid in addition to all other com-
9 pensation:

10 (a) For the loss by severance of both hands at or
11 above the wrist, or both feet at or above the ankle, or
12 the loss of one hand and one foot, or the reduction to
13 one tenth of normal vision in both eyes with glasses,
14 two thirds of the average weekly wages of the injured
15 person, but not more than ten dollars nor less than four
16 dollars a week for a period of one hundred weeks.

17 (b) For the loss by severance of either hand at or
18 above the wrist, of either foot at or above the ankle, or

19 the reduction to one tenth of normal vision in either eye
20 with glasses, two thirds of the average weekly wages of
21 the injured person for each hand or foot so severed, but
22 not more than ten dollars nor less than four dollars a
23 week for a period of fifty weeks.

24 (c) For the loss by severance at or above the second
25 joint of two or more fingers, including thumbs, of the
26 same hand or of two or more toes of the same foot, two
27 thirds of the average weekly wages of the injured person,
28 but not more than ten dollars nor less than four dollars
29 a week, for a period of twenty-five weeks, for each hand
30 or foot so injured.

31 (d) For the loss by severance of at least one phalange
32 of a finger, thumb or toe, two thirds of the average
33 weekly wages of the injured person, but not more than
34 ten dollars nor less than four dollars a week, for a period
35 of twelve weeks, for each hand or foot so injured.

36 (e) The additional amounts provided for in this section
37 in case of the loss of a hand, foot, thumb, finger, toe or
38 phalange shall also be paid for the number of weeks above
39 specified if the injury is such that the hand, foot, thumb,
40 finger, toe or phalange is not lost but so injured as to be
41 permanently incapable of use.

42 (f) For disfigurement of the face or head, such sum
43 not more than fifteen hundred dollars, as the department
44 may determine.