

*Chap.*306 AN ACT RELATIVE TO APPEALS FROM DECISIONS IN THE MATTER OF PAYMENTS UNDER THE VETERANS' BONUS LAW, SO CALLED.

Emergency  
preamble.

*Whereas*, One of the principal purposes of this act is to make its provisions effective without delay and this purpose cannot be achieved except by means of an emergency law, therefore, this act is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 731 of the acts of 1945 is hereby amended by striking out section 8A, inserted by section 5 of chapter 581 of the acts of 1946, and inserting in place thereof the following section: — *Section 8A.* Any person aggrieved by a decision of the state treasurer in the matter of payments provided for by this act may appeal to a board constituted as herein provided by filing a claim for appeal with the state treasurer within ninety days after notice of such decision and, after due notice, shall be entitled to a hearing upon such appeal before such board or a panel thereof; and the decision of said board or panel shall be final. The board shall be set up as a single unit or in panels, as determined by the state treasurer from time to time; and the board when set up as a single unit and each panel thereof when set up in panels shall consist of a member of the department of the state treasurer to be designated by him, and an assistant attorney general to be designated by the attorney general and a representative of the adjutant general.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section one, an appeal from any decision made prior to the effective date of this act in the matter of any payment provided for by said chapter seven hundred and thirty-one, as amended, from which no claim for appeal has been made may be taken by filing a claim for appeal with the state treasurer at any time within ninety days after said effective date.

SECTION 3. Action taken by the appeal board as heretofore constituted is hereby validated and confirmed to the same extent as though said section eight A, as amended by section one of this act, had been in effect at the time of such action.

*Approved May 12, 1948.*