

shall not exceed an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the latest total valuation of real estate in such district by fifteen (15) mills.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 10th day of December, A. D. 1959.

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No. 650

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 21, 1939 (P. L. 566), entitled "An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for occupational disease contracted by an employe arising out of and in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; imposing duties on the Department of Labor and Industry, the Workmen's Compensation Board, Workmen's Compensation Referees, and deans of medical schools; creating a medical board to determine controverted medical issues; establishing an Occupational Disease Fund in custody of the State Workmen's Insurance Board; imposing upon the Commonwealth a part of the compensation payable for certain occupational diseases; making an appropriation; and prescribing penalties," including certain diseases of fire-fighters within the meaning of the term occupational disease,

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

The Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act.

Section 108, act of June 21, 1939, P. L. 566, amended by adding a new clause (o).

Section 1. Section 108, act of June 21, 1939 (P. L. 566), known as "The Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act," is amended by adding, after clause (n) thereof, a new clause to read:

Section 108. The term "occupational disease," as used in this act, shall mean only the following diseases:

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Heart and lung diseases causing temporary or permanent disability.

(o) *Diseases of the heart and lungs, resulting in either temporary or permanent total disability or death, after four years or more of service in the full time salaried occupation of fire fighting for the benefit or safety of the public, caused by extreme over-exertion in times of stress or danger or by exposure to heat, smoke, fumes or gases, arising directly out of the employment of any such firemen.*

APPROVED—The 10th day of December, A. D. 1959.

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