

to match Federal moneys made available for the control and drainage of water from anthracite coal formations in this Commonwealth and to carry out the purposes of this act.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 7th day of July, A. D. 1955.

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No. 83

AN ACT

Amending the act of June twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 477), entitled, as amended "An act providing for the payment of the salary, medical and hospital expenses of policemen, firemen and park guards by counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships who are injured in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave period," extending the provisions thereof to the State Police Force.

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

Policemen, firemen, park guards and State Police.

Section 1. The title and section one, act of June twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred thirty-five (Pamphlet Laws 477), entitled, as amended "An act providing for the payment of the salary, medical and hospital expenses of policemen, firemen and park guards by counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships who are injured in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave period", as amended May sixteen, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 301), and September twenty-seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1473), are amended to read:

Title and section 1, act of June 28, 1935, P. L. 477, amended May 16, 1951, P. L. 301, and September 27, 1951, P. L. 1473, further amended.

An Act

Providing for the payment of the salary, medical and hospital expenses of *members of the State Police Force and of policemen, firemen and park guards by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*, counties, cities, boroughs, towns and townships who are injured in the performance of their duty; and providing that absence during such injury shall not reduce any usual sick leave period.

Amended title.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That any *member of the State Police Force or any policeman, fireman or park guard of any county, city, borough, town or township, who is injured in the performance of his duties including,*

Injured State Police, policeman, fireman or park guard, to be paid full rate of salary.

Payment of medical and hospital bills.

Workmen's Compensation collected during such incapacity to be paid to municipality.

Diseases of the heart and tuberculosis arising directly out of employment to be compensable.

Act effective January 1, 1956.

in the case of firemen, duty as special fire police, and by reason thereof is temporarily incapacitated from performing his duties, shall be paid by the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania* if a member of the *State Police Force* or by the county, township or municipality, by which he is employed, his full rate of salary, as fixed by ordinance or resolution, until the disability arising therefrom has ceased. All medical and hospital bills, incurred in connection with any such injury, shall be paid by the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania* or by such county, township or municipality. During the time salary for temporary incapacity shall be paid by the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania* or by the county, city, borough, town or township, any workmen's compensation, received or collected by a member of the *State Police Force* or by a policeman, fireman or park guard for such period, shall be turned over to the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania* or to such county, city, borough, town or township, and paid into the treasury thereof, and if such payment shall not be so made by the member of the *State Police Force* or by the policeman, fireman or park guard, the amount so due the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania*, county, city, borough, town or township shall be deducted from any salary then or thereafter becoming due and owing. [Provided, however, That in] In the case of the *State Police Force* and salaried policemen and firemen, the diseases of the heart and tuberculosis of the respiratory system, contracted or incurred by any such member of the *State Police Force*, policeman or fireman after four years of continuous service as such, and caused by extreme overexertion in times of stress or danger or by exposure to heat, smoke, fumes or gases, arising directly out of the employment of any such member of the *State Police Force*, policeman [and] or fireman, shall be compensable in accordance with the terms hereof; and unless any such disability shall be compensable under the compensation laws as having been caused by accidental injury, such disability shall be compensable as occupational disease disabilities are presently compensable under the compensatiton laws of this Commonwealth.

All payments herein required to be made by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be made from moneys appropriated to the Pennsylvania State Police.

Section 2. This act shall take effect January one, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six.

APPROVED—The 7th day of July, A. D. 1955.

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* "owning" in original.