

viding for the temporary employment of certain of them; providing for the transfer, vesting, sale and disposition of the property of poor districts and the payment of their obligations; imposing certain existing obligations on institution districts and on the Commonwealth; regulating the affairs of poor districts until abolished; revising, amending, changing and consolidating the law relating to the care of the poor; and repealing existing laws," increasing the amount the institution district may pay for burial costs in each case.

County Institution
District
Law.

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

Section 403, act
of June 24,
1937, P. L. 2017,
amended May 24,
1956, P. L. 1735,
further amended.

Section 1. Section 403, act of June 24, 1937 (P. L. 2017), known as the "County Institution District Law," amended May 24, 1956 (P. L. 1735), is amended to read:

Section 403. Provision for Burial of Dependents and Other Persons.—Except as otherwise provided by law, the local authorities of any institution district shall provide for the burial of any person who dies in the county or city, unless his body is claimed by a relative by blood or marriage, or by a friend, or by his fraternal or veterans' organization, or by a charitable organization or by the Anatomical Board of the State of Pennsylvania, and is buried at the expense of such relative, friend or organization. No such burial shall cost more than one hundred *seventy-five* dollars.

APPROVED -The 15th day of September, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 581

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P. L. 736), entitled, as amended, "An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for injuries received by an employe in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; and prescribing penalties," requiring employers to furnish employes with instructions on their rights in the event of an accident, and requiring the Secretary of Labor and Industry to prepare such instructions to be printed by insurers and supplied to employers.

The Pennsylvania
Workmen's
Compensation
Act.

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

Act of June 2,
1915, P. L. 736,
reenacted and
amended June
21, 1939, P. L.
520, amended by
adding a new
section 304.1.

Section 1. The act of June 2, 1915 (P. L. 736), known as "The Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Act," reenacted and amended June 21, 1939 (P. L. 520), is amended by adding, after section 304, a new section to read:

Section 304.1. The Secretary of Labor and Industry shall, within ninety (90) days after the effective date of this amendatory act, prepare a brochure of instructions setting forth the rights of an employe in the event of an accident and informing him of the time and manner in which claims should be filed. A copy of such brochure shall be provided each insurance company authorized to write insurance policies covering workmen's compensation under this act. Such insurance companies shall prepare at their own expense copies of said brochure for distribution to such insured employers. Each insurance company shall prepare the brochures immediately upon receipt of the sample brochure from the Secretary of Labor and Industry in such quantity as required by employers for distribution to each employe. The employers shall distribute such brochures to each employe at the time of hiring and to each existing employe within thirty (30) days after the receipt of the brochure.

APPROVED—The 15th day of September, A. D. 1961.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 582

A SUPPLEMENT

To the act of May 27, 1937 (P. L. 917), entitled "An act for the protection of the health and welfare of women and minors by regulating under the police power the minimum fair wages which shall be paid by employers; providing for wage boards, and defining the powers and duties of such boards, and of the Department of Labor and Industry; imposing duties on employers; providing for directory and mandatory orders on employers, and the publication of the names of employers who do not comply with such orders; exempting certain persons from the provisions of this act; and providing penalties," concerning minimum wages, providing for a minimum wage for employes in this Commonwealth; providing a wage board procedure for establishing supplementary minimum wages; defining the powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry; and providing penalties.

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

**The Minimum
Wage Act of
1961.**

Section 1. Factual Background.—Employes are employed in some occupations in trade and industry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for wages unreasonably low and not fairly commensurate with the value of the services rendered. Such a condition is contrary to public interest and public policy commands its regulation. Employes employed in such industries are not as a class on a level of equality in bargaining with their employers in regard to minimum fair wage standards and "freedom