

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

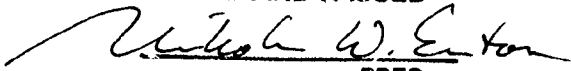
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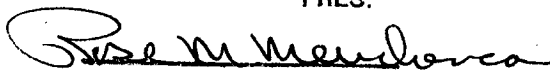
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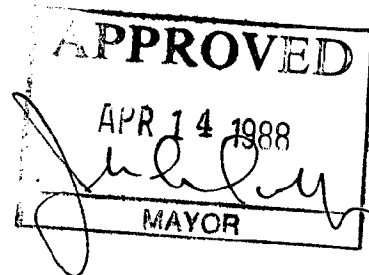
RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Providence requests that the General Assembly enact legislation relating to workers' compensation the purpose of which is to require the medical payment schedule be adhered to in all instances.

IN CITY COUNCIL

READ AND PASSED


PRES.


CLERK



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1988

A N A C T
RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Introduced By:

Date Introduced:

Referred To:

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 28-33-7., of the General Laws in Chapter 28-33 entitled "Workers' Compensation-Benefits" is amended by adding the following:

28-33-7. Disputes as to reasonableness of medical charges. -

(a) Any dispute as to the reasonableness of the amount of any charge for medical, dental or hospital services or for medicines or appliances not covered by the schedules adopted or established by this section shall be determined by the department for injuries occurring on or after March 1, 1986 or the workers' compensation commission for injuries occurring on or before February 28, 1986 or for subsequent injuries on appeal from the department after a hearing, and the decision shall be final; Provided, however, That the director shall establish a schedule of rates of reimbursement for any charges made in accordance with the reimbursement levels for payment of non-institutional medical charges which shall be made by using the levels developed by the Medicare Program, Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to the extent such charges are eligible for reimbursement, and for those charges not eligible for reimbursement

a schedule of allowable charges shall be adopted by the director; and all medical charges which are consistent with schedules adopted or established under this section shall be conclusively presumed to be reasonable for the purposes of chapters 29 - 38, inclusive, of this title.

(b) Disputes other than those covered in - 28-33-9 pertaining to hospitalizations, medical services, appliances or medicine shall be heard and determined by the department for injuries occurring on or after March 1, 1986 or the workers' compensation commission for injuries occurring on or before February 28, 1986 or on appeals from the department.

(c) With respect to all complaints and charges of unprofessional conduct including, but not limited to, unnecessary or inappropriate treatment against any licensed physician brought to the attention of the director or the workers' compensation commission in the performance of their duties under this title, the director and commission shall report all such complaints and charges to the board of medical review in accordance with the provisions of chapter 37.1 of title 5.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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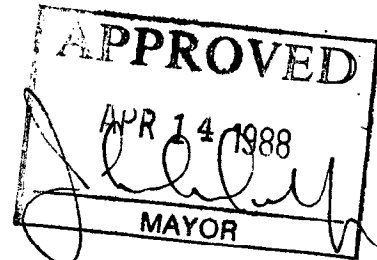
Approved April 14, 1988

RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Providence requests that the General Assembly enact legislation relating to workers' compensation the purpose of which is to allow the city to offer a disability pension to employees in place of workers' compensation benefits.

IN CITY COUNCIL
APR 7 1988

READ AND PASSED

Charles W. Eaton
PRES.
Rose M. Mendonca
CLERK



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R E L A T I N G T O W O R K E R S ' C O M P E N S A T I O N

Introduced By:

Date Introduced:

Referred To:

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 28-31-25 of the General Laws entitled "Workers' Compensation--State and Municipal Employees" is amended by adding the following:

28-33-25.1. Disability Retirements for Municipal

Employees--

Notwithstanding any of the provisions of Section 25, above, a municipality covered by the provisions of Chapters 29 thru 38, inclusive of this act, may elect to award, with the approval of the Workers' Compensation Commission, to an employee, receiving benefits under the provisions of this act, a work-related disability retirement, so called, for his injury.

Upon the approval of the work-related retirement disability benefits by the Workers' Compensation Commission, said retirement shall be deemed a commutation of benefits under Section 25, above and the municipality's liability under the provisions this act shall cease.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage

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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 177

Approved April 14, 1988

RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Providence requests that the General Assembly enact legislation relating to workers' compensation the purpose of which is to eliminate the practice of employees collecting both retirement and workers' compensation benefits simultaneously.

IN CITY-COUNCIL
APR 7 1988

READ AND PASSED

Nicholas W. Eustace
PRES.

Rae M. Mendonca
CLERK

APPROVED

APR 14 1988

[Signature]
MAYOR

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JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1988

A N A C T

IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 28-31-1.1 OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF RHODE ISLAND IN CHAPTER 28-31 ENTITLED. "WORKERS' COMPENSATION - STATE AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES".

Introduced By:

Date Introduced:

Referred To:

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 28-31-1.1 of the General Laws of Rhode Island in Chapter 28-31 entitled. "Workers Compensation State and Municipal Employees" is hereby amended to read as follows:

28-31-1.1. Employees' of the City of Providence covered. The City of Providence shall be subject to and accept the provisions of chapters 29 to 38, inclusive, of this title and shall be governed by the provisions therein, provided, however this section is not subject to 45-13-7 through 45-13-10.

The City of Providence may elect to provide its employees' benefits in addition to those required under this section; provided, however, that any employee receiving or eligible to receive disability or retirement benefits through the Employees' Retirement System of the City of Providence shall not be entitled to the benefits of the provisions of Chapters 29 to 38 of this title. Any provisions of a

charter, or of any provision of the general or public laws inconsistent with this section is hereby repealed.

This section shall apply to all claims of injuries occurring on or after this section becomes effective for the individual city or town.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

EXPLANATION

OF

AN ACT

IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 28-31-1.1 OF THE GENERAL LAWS
OF RHODE ISLAND IN CHAPTER 28-31 ENTITLED, "WORKERS'
COMPENSATION - STATE AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES".

This amendment will provide that any employee of
the City of Providence receiving or eligible to receive
disability or retirement benefits through the Employees'
Retirement System of the City of Providence shall not be
entitled to any benefits provided for in Chapter 29
through 38 of Title 28 of the General Laws of the State
of Rhode Island.