**Commonwealth Employees’ Compensation**

**No. 123 of 1968**

An Act to increase the Amounts of Weekly Payments of Compensation payable to, and in respect of, Employees of the Commonwealth.

[Assented to 3 December 1968]

BE it enacted by the Queen’s Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

**Short title and citation.**

**1.**—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Commonwealth Employees’ Compensation Act* 1968.

(2.) The *Commonwealth’ Employees’ Compensation Act* 1930–1967 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Commonwealth Employees’ Compensation Act* 1930–1968.

**Commencement.**

**2.** This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

**First Schedule.**

**3.** The First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended as set out in the following table:—

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| Provision amended | Omit— | Insert— |
| Paragraph (1.) (*b*)  | Twenty-five dollars thirty-five cents | Twenty-eight dollars cents fifteen |
| Paragraph (1.) (*b*)(i)  | Six dollars | Six dollars eighty cents |
| Paragraph (1.) (*b*) (ii)  | Two dollars forty-five cents | Two dollars fifty cents |
| Paragraph (1.) (*c*) (i)  | Twenty-five dollars thirty-five cents | Twenty-eight dollars fifteen cents |
| Paragraph (1a.) (*b*) (iii)  | Nineteen dollars | Twenty-one dollars ten cents |
|  | Twenty-five dollars thirty-five cents | Twenty-eight dollars fifteen cents |

**Adjustment of weekly payments under prior Acts.**

**4.**—(1) Where, immediately before the date of commencement of this Act, a person was receiving weekly payments under the *Commonwealth Workmen’s Compensation Act* 1912 or was receiving, or was entitled to receive, weekly payments in accordance with the First Schedule to the Principal Act, he is, from and including that date, entitled to receive weekly payments in accordance with the Principal Act as amended by this Act.

(2.) Where, before the date of commencement of this Act, an employee sustained an injury or contracted a disease in respect of which weekly payments in accordance with the First Schedule to the Principal Act would have been payable immediately before that date but for the fact that he was not then incapacitated for work, and on or after that date he becomes incapacitated for work as a result of the injury or disease, weekly payments in respect of that incapacity shall be in accordance with the Principal Act as amended by this Act.

(3.) Where, on or after the date of commencement of this Act, death results from an injury or a disease that was sustained or contracted before that date and in respect of which compensation was payable under the Principal Act, compensation shall be paid in respect of that death in accordance with the Principal Act as amended by this Act.