

ACT 21

H. B. NO. 276

A Bill for an Act Relating to Workmen's Compensation and Amending Chapter 97, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 97, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is amended by adding thereto the following section:

**“Section 97-144. Litigation expenses.** All litigation expenses, including but not limited to court costs, attorneys' fees and witness fees incurred by the director in preparation, prosecution or defense of any action brought on behalf of or against the special compensation fund shall be paid from the fund.”

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the adoption of Act 16, Session Laws of Hawaii 1968, this Act shall have full force according to its intent. Upon the taking effect of this Act or the Hawaii Revised Statutes, whichever occurs later, this Act shall be construed to be in amendment of or in addition to the Hawaii Revised Statutes, all references in this Act being construed to refer to the applicable or corresponding provisions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Revisor of Statutes may reword and renumber the references in this Act and make such other formal or verbal changes as may be necessary to conform with the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 13, 1969.)