

A Bill for an Act Relating to Workmen's Compensation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 386-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“§386-56 Payment from the special compensation fund in case of default. Where an injured employee or his dependents fail to receive prompt and proper compensation and this default is caused through no fault of the employee, the director of labor and industrial relations shall pay the full amount of all compensation awards and benefits from the special compensation fund to the employee or dependent.

The employer, upon order of the director, shall reimburse the special compensation fund for the sums paid therefrom under this section, and the fund, represented by the director, shall be subrogated to all the rights and remedies of the individual receiving the payments.

In case a defaulting employer moves to another state without reimbursing the special compensation fund, the director shall be authorized to contract, on a contingent fee basis, with a private collection agency in that state to effect collection from said employer.”

SECTION 2. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the underscoring.*

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

(Approved May 24, 1971.)

* Edited accordingly.