

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. RHODE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 252

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "Providing for adjustment of claims under
7 the Alaska Workmen's Compensation Act,
8 amending Section 39 and Subsection (4) (d)
9 of Sec. 40, Ch. 193, SLA 1959."

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

11 Section 1. Sec. 39, Ch. 193, SLA 1959, is hereby amended to
12 read as follows:

13 Section 39. Self-Insurance Certificates: Revocation: New
14 Certificate. Whenever an employer has complied with the pro-
15 visions of this Act relating to self-insurance, the Board shall
16 issue to such employer a certificate which shall remain in force
17 for a period fixed by the Board, but the Board may, upon at least
18 ten days' notice and a hearing, revoke the certificate of such
19 employer upon satisfactory proof that such employer is no longer
20 entitled thereto.

21 At any time after such revocation the Board may grant a new
22 certificate to the employer, upon his petition and satisfactory
23 proof of his financial ability as provided in this Act.

24 Every employer authorized as a self insurer shall provide
25 claims facilities through independent, licensed, resident adjust-
26 ers, with competently staffed offices within the State of Alaska.

27 Section 2. Subsection (4) (d) of Sec. 40, Ch. 193, SLA 1959
28 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 Section 40. Subsection (4) (d). Conditions of Payment.

1 That the insurer will promptly pay to the person or persons en-
2 titled to the same, all benefits conferred by this Act, including
3 physician's fees, nurse's charges, hospital services, hospital
4 supplies, medicines, prosthetic devices, transportation charges
5 to the nearest point where adequate medical facilities are
6 available, burial expenses, and all installments of compensation
7 or death benefits that may be awarded or agreed upon under said
8 Act; that the obligation of the insurer shall not be affected by
9 any default of the insured employer after the injury, or by any
10 default in giving of any notice required by this policy; that the
11 policy is and shall be construed to be a direct promise by the
12 insurer to the person entitled by the insurer to the person en-
13 titled to physician's fees, nurse's charges, fees for hospital
14 services, charges for medicines, prosthetic devices, transporta-
15 tion charges to the nearest point where adequate medical facil-
16 ities are available and hospital supplies, charges for burial,
17 compensation or death benefits, and shall be enforceable in the
18 name of such person or persons. That the insurer shall provide
19 claims facilities through its own staffed adjusting facilities
20 located within the State of Alaska, or by independent, licensed,
21 resident adjusters, with competently staffed offices within the
22 State of Alaska.

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