

THE FOURTH SCHEDULE—*continued.*

10. The payment of the whole or any part of the cost of maintenance and treatment of members in convalescent homes, and the payment of the whole or any part of the travelling expenses incurred by, or in respect of, members in travelling to and from convalescent homes.

11. The provision of premises suitable for convalescent homes and the maintenance of such homes.

12. The payment of the whole or any part of the cost of medical and surgical appliances, other than dental and optical appliances and those provided as part of medical benefit.

13. The payment of the whole or any part of the cost of the provision of ophthalmic treatment (other than as provided as part of medical benefit) and the whole or any part of the cost of optical appliances.

14. The payment of the whole or any part of the cost of the provision of nurses for members.

15. Payments to approved charitable institutions in respect of any treatment of members required for the prevention or cure of disease, not being treatment within the scope of any other additional benefit or of medical benefit.

16. Such other additional benefits, being of a character similar to that of any of those hereinbefore mentioned, as are prescribed.

## NATIONAL HEALTH AND PENSIONS INSURANCE (EMPLOYERS' CONTRIBUTIONS).

### No. 26 of 1938.

An Act to impose Liability upon Employers to make Contributions in respect of Insurance against certain Contingencies affecting Employees, and the Wives, Children, Widows, and Orphans of Employees.

[Assented to 5th July, 1938.]

**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the *National Health and Pensions Insurance (Employers' Contributions) Act 1938.* Short title.
2. This Act shall commence on a date to be fixed by Proclamation. Commencement.
3. The *National Health and Pensions Insurance Act 1938* shall be incorporated and read as one with this Act. Incorporation.
4. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears— Definitions.
  - “insurance” means insurance under the *National Health and Pensions Insurance Act 1938* ;
  - “National Health and Pensions Insurance” means insurance under the *National Health and Pensions Insurance Act 1938* ;
  - “the Schedule” means the Schedule to this Act.
5. Liability is imposed upon employers to make payments at the rates declared in this Act, being contributions or part of contributions payable in respect of National Health and Pensions Insurance. Imposition of liability to make payments.

Rates of  
payment.

6.—(1.) The payment imposed in respect of the insurance of an employed person shall be at such rate specified in paragraph (1) of the Schedule as is appropriate to the case.

(2.) The payment imposed in respect of the insurance of a partially exempt employee shall be at such rate specified in paragraph (2) or paragraph (3) of the Schedule as is appropriate to the case.

(3.) The payment imposed in respect of a juvenile contributor shall be at the rate specified in paragraph (4) of the Schedule.

(4.) The payment imposed in respect of an employed person who has attained the maximum age shall be at such rate specified in paragraph (5) of the Schedule as is appropriate to the case.

Increases in  
rates of  
payments.

7.—(1.) The rates of payments specified in paragraph (1) and paragraph (2) of the Schedule shall be increased by Threepence per week in respect of males and females as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and, as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, those rates of payments shall be further increased by Threepence per week in respect of males only.

(2.) The rate of payment specified in paragraph (3) of the Schedule shall be increased by Twopence per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and that rate of payment shall be further increased by One penny per week as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

(3.) The rates of payments specified in paragraph (5) of the Schedule shall be increased by Threepence per week in respect of both males and females as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-four, and, as on and from the third day of January, One thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, those rates of payments shall be further increased by Threepence per week in respect of males only.

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## THE SCHEDULE.

### RATES OF PAYMENTS.

- (1) For employed persons—
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| Males .. .. .   | One shilling and sixpence per week. |
| Females .. .. . | One shilling per week.              |
- (2) For persons insured as partially exempt employees and, in respect of their insurance, entitled only to pensions and dependent child's allowance—
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| Males .. .. .   | Elevenpence per week. |
| Females .. .. . | Fivepence per week.   |
- (3) For persons insured as partially exempt employees and, in respect of their insurance, entitled only to widow's pension and dependent child's allowance or orphan's pension—
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| Males .. .. . | Sixpence per week. |
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- (4) For juvenile contributors—
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| Males and females .. .. . | Fourpence per week. |
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- (5) (a) For male employed persons who have attained the age of sixty-five years—  
One shilling and sixpence per week.
- (b) For female employed persons who have attained the age of sixty years—  
One shilling per week.