

Seamen's Compensation

No. 124 of 1968

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

[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 *Seamen's Compensation Act* 1968.

(2.) The *Seamen's Compensation Act* 1911–1967* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Seamen's Compensation Act* 1911–1968.

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:—

Provision amended	Omit—	Insert—
Paragraph (1.) (b)	Twenty-five dollars thirty-five cents	Twenty-eight dollars fifteen cents
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 (2.) (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 Principal Act.

4.—(1.) Where, immediately before the date of commencement of this Act, a person 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, a seaman sustained an injury or contracted a disease in respect of which weekly payments in accordance with the First Schedule to the Principal Act

* Act No. 13, 1911, as amended by No. 56, 1938; No. 18, 1947; No. 7, 1949; No. 10, 1953; No. 16, 1954; No. 99, 1959; No. 67, 1960; No. 102, 1964; and No. 97, 1967.

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.
