

Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances

No. 43 of 1966

An Act to amend the *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1965*.

[Assented to 30 September, 1966]

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 War Pensions and Allowances Act 1966*.

(2.) The *Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1965** 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 War Pensions and Allowances Act 1940-1966*.

Commencement.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Rates of pension on death or total incapacity.

3. Section 18 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (4A.) the words "Twenty pounds five shillings" and inserting in their stead the words "Forty-two dollars fifty cents".

Regulations.

4. Section 59 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting in paragraph (g) of sub-section (1.), after the word "children", the words "under the age of twenty-one years"; and

(b) by omitting sub-section (5.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:—

"(5.) In this section—

'children', in relation to an Australian mariner, means sons, daughters, step-sons, step-daughters, adopted sons or adopted daughters of the mariner, and includes any ex-nuptial children of the mariner;

* Act No. 60, 1940, as amended by No. 77, 1946; No. 80, 1950; Nos. 17 and 75, 1952; No. 70, 1953; No. 32, 1954; No. 40, 1955; No. 45, 1957; No. 48, 1958; No. 59, 1959; No. 46, 1960; No. 47, 1961; Nos. 64 and 113, 1964; and No. 65, 1965.

' medical treatment ' means any treatment with a view to restoring a person to, or maintaining a person in, physical or mental health or alleviating suffering, and includes—

(a) any accommodation, nursing care or transport in relation to such treatment; and

(b) the supply, renewal and repair of artificial replacements and surgical and other aids and appliances.”.

5. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is repealed and the following Schedule inserted in its stead:— First Schedule.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Section 18.

GENERAL PENSION RATES—DEATH OR TOTAL INCAPACITY.

Column 1.	Column 2.	Column 3.	Column 4.
Rate of pay per day of the Australian mariner.	Rate of pension payable per fortnight to widow on death of Australian mariner.	Aggregate of rates of pensions payable per fortnight to dependants other than widow and children on death of Australian mariner.	Rate of pension payable per fortnight to Australian mariner on total incapacity.
\$	\$	\$	\$
Not exceeding 2.25	26.00	14.00	24.00
Exceeding 2.25 but not exceeding 2.75	26.00	14.00	24.45
Exceeding 2.75 but not exceeding 3.50	26.90	14.90	25.45
Exceeding 3.50 but not exceeding 4.25	28.10	16.10	26.45
Exceeding 4.25 but not exceeding 5.00	29.30	17.30	27.35
Exceeding 5.00	29.60	17.60	27.60

6.—(1.) The Principal Act is amended as set out in the First Schedule to this Act.

Amendments in relation to decimal currency.

(2.) The Second Schedule to the Principal Act is repealed and the Schedule set out in the Second Schedule to this Act inserted in its stead.

(3.) The Fifth Schedule to the Principal Act is repealed and the Schedule set out in the Third Schedule to this Act inserted in its stead.

7. In so far as an amendment made by this Act affects instalments of pensions, the amendment applies in relation to an instalment of pension falling due on the first pension pay day after the date of commencement of this Act and to all subsequent instalments.

Application of amendments.

THE SCHEDULES

FIRST SCHEDULE

Section 6 (1.).

AMENDMENTS IN RELATION TO DECIMAL CURRENCY

Provisions amended	Omit—	Insert—
Section 10 (2.) ..	Fifty pounds	One hundred dollars
Section 18 (5.) ..	Four pounds one shilling	Eight dollars ten cents
Section 18 (6.) ..	Four pounds eighteen shillings and sixpence	Nine dollars eighty-five cents
Section 18 (7.) ..	Three pounds eighteen shillings	Seven dollars eighty cents
	Two pounds fifteen shillings	Five dollars fifty cents
	One pound seven shillings and sixpence	Two dollars seventy-five cents
Section 18 (8.) ..	Seven pounds three shillings	Fourteen dollars thirty cents
Section 24 (b) (i) ..	Four pounds sixteen shillings	Nine dollars sixty cents
Section 24 (b) (ii) ..	One pound seven shillings and sixpence	Two dollars seventy-five cents
Section 29 (2.) ..	Twenty-five pounds	Fifty dollars
Section 49 (3.) ..	Twenty-five pounds	Fifty dollars
Section 58 (1.) ..	Fifty pounds	One hundred dollars
Section 59 (1.) (n) ..	Twenty-five pounds	Fifty dollars

SECOND SCHEDULE

Section 6 (2.).

" SECOND SCHEDULE.

Section 21.

ALLOWANCE FOR ATTENDANT.

Column 1. Description of Disability.	Column 2. Allowance for Attendant.
Blind or with eyesight so defective as to have no useful sight	\$ 13.00
An injury affecting the cerebro-spinal system or causing incapacity similar in effect and severity	13.00
Loss of two arms	21.00
Loss of two legs and one arm	13.00
Loss of one leg at the hip and of the other either at the hip or in the upper third	13.00 "

THIRD SCHEDULE

Section 6 (3.).

" FIFTH SCHEDULE.

Section 23 (2.).

GRATUITIES PAYABLE TO AN AUSTRALIAN MARINER IN RESPECT OF SPECIFIED MINOR
WAR INJURIES, INVOLVING LESS THAN 20 PER CENTUM OF TOTAL INCAPACITY.

Column 1.	Column 2.
For the loss of—	Amount of Gratuity.
	\$
1 Left thumb, terminal phalanx	275.00
2. Fingers—	
Right index finger—	
Whole	300.00
2 phalanges	250.00
1 phalanx	200.00
Tip and nail, no bone	120.00
Left index finger—	
Whole	200.00
2 phalanges	160.00
1 phalanx	120.00
Tip and nail, no bone	100.00
Right or left middle finger—	
Whole	160.00
2 phalanges	120.00
1 phalanx	100.00
Tip and nail, no bone	80.00
Right or left ring or little finger—	
Whole	100.00
2 phalanges	80.00
1 phalanx	60.00
Tip and nail, no bone	40.00
3. Toes (whether from left or right foot)—	
Whole of great toe	200.00
1 joint of great toe	80.00
Other than great toes—	
Whole of 1 toe	80.00
Whole of 2 toes from one foot	120.00
Whole of 3 toes from one foot	140.00
Whole of 4 toes from one foot	200.00
1 joint of one toe	40.00
1 joint from each of two toes of one foot	60.00
1 joint from each of three toes of one foot	70.00
1 joint from each of four toes of one foot	80.00
4. Ear (hearing not affected)	160.00 "