

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by: (LAB)

## AN ACT EXPANDING COMPENSATION TO DEPENDENTS FOR A DEATH RESULTING FROM AN ACCIDENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 31-306 of the
- 2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):
- 4 (6) In all cases where there are no presumptive dependents, but
- 5 where there are (A) one or more persons wholly dependent in fact, the
- 6 compensation in case of death shall be divided according to the relative
- 7 degree of their dependence, or (B) next of kin of the deceased employee,
- 8 the compensation shall be divided equally among the next of kin of the
- 9 <u>deceased employee</u>. Compensation payable under this subdivision shall
- 10 be paid for not more than three hundred and twelve weeks from the
- date of the death of the employee. The compensation, if paid to those
- wholly dependent in fact, shall be paid at the full compensation rate.
- 13 The compensation, if paid to those partially dependent in fact upon the
- deceased employee as of the date of the injury, shall not, in total, be more
- 15 than the full compensation rate nor less than twenty dollars weekly, nor,

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- 16 if the average weekly sum contributed by the deceased at the date of the
- injury to those partially dependent in fact is more than twenty dollars
- 18 weekly, not more than the sum so contributed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 July 1, 2025 31-306(a)(6)

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