

## Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Act 1939

## **1939 CHAPTER 82**

## 1 Allowances and pensions in respect of certain war injuries and war service injuries

- (1) The Minister may make a scheme, with the approval of the Treasury and in accordance with the provisions of this Act, providing for the making of payments in respect of the following injuries sustained during the period of the present emergency, namely—
  - (a) war injuries sustained by gainfully occupied persons (with such exceptions, if any, as may be specified in the scheme) and by persons of such other classes as may be so specified; and
  - (b) war service injuries sustained by civil defence volunteers.
- (2) In respect of any such injury, a scheme may authorise the Minister, in such circumstances and subject to such conditions as may be specified in the scheme, to make the following payments to or in respect of the person injured, namely—
  - (a) payments by way of allowance (hereafter in this Act referred to as "injury allowances"), which shall be payable only so long as the person injured is incapacitated for work by the injury and has not received any such payment as is mentioned in the next following paragraph; and
  - (b) payments by way of pension or grant, which shall be payable only where the injury causes serious and prolonged disablement or death.
- (3) A scheme may empower the Minister to make regulations for giving effect to the purposes of the scheme.
- (4) Any decision of the Minister as to the making, refusal or amount, or as to the continuance or discontinuance, of a payment under a scheme may be varied by a subsequent decision of the Minister, but save in so far as it is so varied shall be final and conclusive.
- (5) All expenses incurred by the Minister in giving effect to a scheme shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.