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H. B. NO. 272

A Bill for an Act Relating to Workmen's Compensation and Amending Chapter 97, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 97-30(b), Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

“Temporary total disability benefits shall be paid promptly as it accrues and directly to the person entitled thereto without waiting for a decision from the director, unless the right to the benefits is controverted by the employer. The first payment of benefits shall become due and shall be paid no later than on the tenth day after the employer has been notified of the occurrence of the total disability, and thereafter the benefits due shall be paid weekly except as otherwise authorized pursuant to section 97-52.”

SECTION 2. Section 97-52, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955 is amended to read:

“**Section 97-52. Non-weekly periodic payments.** On the application of

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either party, the director may, having due regard for the welfare of the employee or his dependents and the convenience of his employer, authorize benefits to be paid fortnightly, semimonthly, monthly or quarterly instead of weekly.”

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 9, 1969.)