WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT OF 1969 (EXCERPT) Act 317 of 1969

418.206 Position of hearing referee abolished; powers and duties of worker's compensation magistrates; hearings.

Sec. 206. (1) The position of hearing referee under this act is abolished as of March 31, 1987.

- (2) Only worker's compensation magistrates shall hear cases for which an application for a hearing under section 847 has been filed after March 31, 1986 and shall have the powers and perform the duties prescribed in this act
- (3) Any case for which an application for a hearing under section 847 has been filed before April 1, 1986 and which has not been heard by a hearing referee by March 31, 1987 shall be heard by a worker's compensation magistrate according to the law and procedures applicable to cases heard by hearing referees.

History: Add. 1985, Act 103, Imd. Eff. July 30, 1985.

Constitutionality: Amendment of the workers' compensation act to abolish the civil service position of hearing referee and establish a Board of Magistrates in its place outside the civil service system to hear and adjudicate workers' compensation claims did not violate the civil service provision of the constitution. Civil Service Commission v Department of Labor, 424 Mich 571; 384 NW2d 728 (1986).

Compiler's note: For legislative intent as to severability, see Compiler's note to MCL 418.213.

Popular name: Act 317