

# MINE WORKERS' RELIEF (PAYMENTS AUTHORISATION)

4° GEO. VI., No. V.

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No. 5 of 1940.

**AN ACT** to authorise certain payments by the Mine Workers' Relief Board out of the Mine Workers' Relief Fund as benefits payable under the Mine Workers' Relief Act, 1932-1934.

*[Assented to 9th October, 1940.]*

**WHEREAS** certain persons, being mine workers within Preamble.  
the meaning of the Mine Workers' Relief Act, 1932-1934, and being the persons named in the first column of the Schedule to this Act, were, prior to their

death, entitled to claim from the Mine Workers' Relief Board out of the Mine Workers' Relief Fund payment of the amounts set opposite their names respectively in the fourth column of the said Schedule as benefits under the provisions of the said Act but died on the dates set opposite their names respectively in the second column of the said Schedule before they had made such a claim: And whereas, since the death of the said persons their widows, whose names appear in the third column of the said Schedule, have claimed from the Mine Workers' Relief Board payment out of the Mine Workers' Relief Fund of the amount which the said deceased persons respectively were, prior to their death, entitled to claim as aforesaid but doubts have arisen as to the power or authority of the Mine Workers' Relief Board to make such payments to the said widows, either as the legal representatives or as the dependants of the said deceased persons: And whereas other persons, being mine workers as aforesaid and having a right identical with that of the said deceased persons, prior to their death claimed payment in satisfaction of such right from the Mine Workers' Relief Board and, having died before such payments were made, the payments claimed by them were made to their widows as being entitled thereto: And whereas by reason of the last-mentioned payments an anomaly exists which is harsh, unfair, and unjust to the widows first hereinbefore mentioned, and it is deemed desirable, expedient, and just therefore to authorise the Mine Workers' Relief Board to make to the said first hereinbefore mentioned widows the payments which have been claimed by them as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the *Mine Workers' Relief (Payments Authorisation) Act*, 1940, and shall be read in conjunction with the Mine Workers' Relief Act, 1932-1934 (No. 37 of 1932 as reprinted in the Appendix to the Sessional Volume of the Statutes for the year 1935), hereinafter referred to as the principal Act.

2. The Mine Workers' Relief Board as constituted under the principal Act is hereby authorised to pay out of the Mine Workers' Relief Fund established under the principal Act to the persons named in the third column of the Schedule to this Act, being the widows of the persons named in the first column of the said Schedule respectively, who died on the dates set opposite their names respectively in the second column of the said Schedule, the amounts set opposite the names of the said widows respectively in the fourth column of the said Schedule as being benefits under the principal Act to which the said deceased persons were entitled for themselves and their dependants prior to their death.

Mine workers' Relief Board authorised to make certain payments.

SCHEDULE.

Name of Deceased Mine Worker.	Date of Death.	Name of Widow of Deceased Mine Worker.	Amount Payable.
Martino Bonazzi ...	26th August, 1933	Maria Bonazzi ...	£ s. d. 10 1 3
Richard Cody ...	29th August, 1937	Mabel Cody ...	55 3 1
Ernest John Goldsworthy	18th June, 1935	Clara Goldsworthy ...	6 3 7
Frederick William Jenkin	22nd October, 1935	Annie Jenkin ...	18 2 7
Joseph Lee ...	9th July, 1938	Christina Jane Lee ...	82 17 8
William Giles Richards	8th August, 1935	Mary Adelaide Elizabeth Richards	14 9 9