

Referee shall appear and be subject to examination and cross-examination by the parties to said cause if written request therefor shall be filed by either of said parties with the referee or board within ten (10) days after written notice of the filing of said report and findings shall be mailed to the respective parties in interest.

All the proceedings for compensation shall be suspended upon the refusal of a claimant or claimants to submit to such clinical, pathological and Roentgen examinations as may be ordered by the Workmen's Compensation Board or Referee. In death cases, in the event that a claimant or claimants shall refuse to permit an autopsy to be made upon the body of the decedent for a period of six months after death, when ordered by the Workmen's Compensation Board or Referee, then and in that event no compensation shall be payable, and claim therefor shall be disallowed by the Workmen's Compensation Board or Referee.

Section 11. The Workmen's Compensation Board or any Workmen's Compensation Referee shall have power to issue an order authorizing the entry of any physician, surgeon, or expert upon the premises of the defendant employer in order to ascertain the facts in any case arising under this act.

Section 12. It is hereby determined to be the legislative intent that if this act cannot take effect in its entirety because of the decision of any court holding unconstitutional any part hereof, the remaining provisions shall be given full force and effect as if the part held unconstitutional had not been included herein.

Section 13. This act shall become effective on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred thirty-eight.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE

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No. 553

AN ACT

To amend the act, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, nine hundred), entitled "An act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by means of certificates of births and deaths, and burial or removal permits; requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics, as required to be established by the State Department of Health; and, in order to secure prompt and faithful registration of births, marriages, deaths, and diseases, of practitioners of medicine and surgery, of midwives, nurses, and undertakers, and of all persons whose occupation is deemed to be of importance in obtaining complete registration of births, deaths, marriages, and diseases throughout the

State, as provided in section ten of an act, entitled 'An act creating the Department of Health and defining its powers and duties,' approved the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and five, and providing penalties for violations of this act," by adding thereto section 18.1; providing that the Department of Health shall maintain a special file for the records of births of veterans of the World War; and making an appropriation.

Section 18.1  
added to act of  
June 7, 1915 (P.  
L. 900).

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the act, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, nine hundred), entitled "An act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by means of certificates of births and deaths, and burial or removal permits; requiring prompt returns to the Central Bureau of Vital Statistics, as required to be established by the State Department of Health; and, in order to secure prompt and faithful registration of births, marriages, deaths, and diseases, of practitioners of medicine and surgery, of midwives, nurses, and undertakers, and of all persons whose occupation is deemed to be of importance in obtaining complete registration of births, deaths, marriages, and diseases throughout the State, as provided in section ten of an act, entitled 'An act creating the Department of Health and defining its powers and duties,' approved the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and five, and providing penalties for violations of this act," is hereby amended by adding thereto, after section eighteen, a new section to read as follows:

Special file for  
World War  
veterans.

*Section 18.1. The Department of Health shall inaugurate and maintain a special file for receiving and registering the records of birth of all veterans of the World War. Such records shall be received and filed upon presentation of documentary evidence in the form of affidavits, baptismal or school records, and proof satisfactory to the department that the person whose record is submitted is a veteran of the World War. If a record is accepted by the department, certified copies of the same shall be issued without cost to each such veteran upon request.*

\$5,000.00  
appropriated.

Section 2. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to the Department of Health for the two fiscal years beginning June first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, including the payment of salaries of any additional employes necessary for such purpose.

APPROVED—The 2d day of July, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE