

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 651  
HOUSE BILL 727

AN ACT TO AMEND THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT WITH RESPECT TO  
BENEFITS FOR PERMANENT AND TOTAL DISABILITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** G.S. 97-29 is hereby amended by creating a new section to be designated as G.S. 97-29.1 which shall be inserted immediately following G.S. 97-29 which shall read as follows:

"§ **97-29.1.** In all cases of total and permanent disability occurring prior to July 1, 1973, weekly compensation payments shall be increased effective July 1, 1977, to an amount computed by multiplying the number of calendar years prior to July 1, 1973, that the case arose by five percent (5%). Payments made by the employer or its insurance carrier by reason of such increase in weekly benefits may be deducted by such employer or insurance carrier from the tax levied on such employer or carrier pursuant to G.S. 105-228.5 or G.S. 97-100. Every employer or insurance carrier claiming such deduction or credit shall verify such claim to the Secretary of Revenue or the Industrial Commission by affidavit or by such other method as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Revenue or the Industrial Commission."

**Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 21st day of June,  
1977.