

Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST (1st) REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING, EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, SERIES OF 2012,

Convened at the Board Room, 5th Floor, ECC Bldg., Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City Tuesday, 17 January 2012 at 12:00 NN

BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 12-01-02

Declaring the Compensability of Injuries and its Resulting Disability or Death Sustained by Stay-in Local Employees within the Quarters Furnished by the Employers

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution mandates that full protection shall be afforded to labor;

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court in the case of **Uy vs. Workmen's Compensation Commission** (G.R. No. L-43389, April 28, 1980) adopted the so-called "Bunkhouse Rule" and held that:

"x x x where the employee is required to stay in the premises or in quarters furnished by the employer, injuries sustained therein are in the course of employment regardless of the time the same occurred."

WHEREAS, P.D. No. 626, as amended, being a social legislation, should be given liberal construction to fully carry into effect its aim to promptly provide income benefits to workers and/or their beneficiaries in the event of work-connected disability or death;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Constitution and with the ruling of the Highest Court, this Commission finds the need to provide additional protection to local employees who are required to stay in the quarters furnished by their employers;

WHEREAS, Article 177 (c) empowers this Commission to approve rules and regulations governing the processing of Employees' Compensation (EC) claims;

ON MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED,

This Commission **RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to declare the compensability of injuries, and its resulting disability or death, sustained by stay-in local employees in their quarters regardless of the time of its occurrence except when the disability or death was occasioned by the employee's intoxication, willful intention to injure or kill himself or another, or notorious negligence as provided under Article 172 of P.D. No. 626, as amended;

RESOLVES FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be duly furnished the SSS and the GSIS for its compliance and proper guidance.

APPROVED in the City of Makati, this 17th day of January 2012.

LOURDES M. TRASMONTE Chairperson-Designate Department of Labor and Employment

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