

Effective
June 30, 1952

"Section 342.395 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

"In the event an employer elects to operate under this chapter, then every employe of such employer, as a part of his contract of hiring or who may be employed at the time of the acceptance of the provisions of this chapter by such employer, shall be deemed to have accepted all the provisions of this chapter and shall be bound thereby unless he shall have filed, prior to the injury, a written notice to the contrary with the employer. Until such notice to the contrary is so given to the employer, the measure of liability of such employer shall be determined according to the compensation provisions of this chapter. Any such employe may, without prejudice to any existing right or claim, withdraw his election to reject this chapter by filing with the employer a written notice of withdrawal, stating the date when the withdrawal is to become effective. Following the filing of such notice, the status of the party withdrawing shall become the same as if the former election to reject this chapter had not been made, except that withdrawal shall not be effective as to any injury sustained less than one week after the notice is filed."

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"Section 1. That section 342.020 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

"(1) In addition to all other compensation provided in this chapter, the employer shall furnish for the cure and relief from the effects of an injury, such medical, surgical and hospital treatment, including nursing, medical and surgical supplies and appliances, as may reasonably be required at the time of the injury and thereafter during disability, but not exceeding a total expense to the employer of more than twenty-five hundred dollars. If the employer fails to furnish such treatment reasonably, he shall be liable for the reasonable expense, within the limits of this section, incurred by or on behalf of the employe in providing such treatments. In an emergency, the employe may call in any available physician or surgeon to administer any first aid reasonably necessary at the expense of the employer within the limits of his section. The board, in its discretion, may appor-