

**WORKER'S DISABILITY COMPENSATION ACT OF 1969 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 317 of 1969**

**418.651 Existing contracts unaffected; rights and liabilities.**

Sec. 651.

Nothing in this act shall affect any existing contract for employers' liability insurance or affect the organization of any mutual or other insurance company or any arrangement now existing between employers and employees, providing for the payment to the employees, their families, dependents or representatives, sick, accident or death benefits, in addition to the compensation provided for by this act. Liability for compensation under this act shall not be reduced or affected by any insurance, contribution or other benefit whatsoever, due to or received by the person entitled to such compensation. The person so entitled, irrespective of any insurance or other contract, shall have the right to recover the same directly from the employer; and in addition the right to enforce in his or her own name in the manner provided in this act the liability of any insurance company who may have insured, in whole or in part, the liability for such compensation. Payment in whole or in part of such compensation by either the employer or the insurance company carrying the risk shall be a bar, to the extent of the payment, to recovery against the other of the amount so paid.

**History:** 1969, Act 317, Eff. Dec. 31, 1969 ;-- Am. 1993, Act 198, Eff. Dec. 28, 1994

**Compiler's Notes:** Section 3 of Act 198 of 1993 provides as follows:“Section 3. (1)Except as provided in subsection (2), this amendatory act shall not take effect unless the state administrative board certifies in writing to the secretary of state by December 31, 1994 that an agreement for the transfer of all or substantially all of the assets and the assumption of all or substantially all of the liabilities of the state accident fund has been consummated with a permitted transferee pursuant to the requirements of section 701a of the worker's disability compensation act of 1969, Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, being section 418.701a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, as added by this amendatory act.”(2) Sections 700 and 701a as added by this amendatory act shall take effect upon the date of enactment of this amendatory act.”

**Popular Name:** Act 317