

CHAPTER 271.

[H. B. 430.]

LABOR REGULATIONS—WATERFRONT OPERATIONS.

AN ACT relating to health and safety of labor and providing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any employer to permit any of his employees to operate on docks, in warehouses and/or in or on other waterfront properties any power driven mechanical equipment for the purpose of loading cargo on, or unloading cargo from, ships, barges, or other watercraft, or of assisting in such loading or unloading operations, for a period in excess of twelve and one-half hours at any one time without giving such person an interval of eight hours' rest: *Provided, however,* The provisions of this act shall not be applicable in cases of emergency, including fire, violent storms, leaking or sinking ships or services required by the armed forces of the United States.

Rest period required for operator of power driven equipment.

Exceptions.

SEC. 2. Any person violating the provisions of section 1 hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Penalty.

Passed the House March 3, 1953.

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Approved by the Governor March 23, 1953.