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Majority of Board.

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47. The decision of a majority of the members present at a sitting of the Board shall be the decision of the Board, and the findings and recommendations of the majority of its members shall be those of the Board.

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Quorum.

48. The presence of the chairman and at least one other member of the Board shall be necessary to constitute a sitting of the Board.

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All members of Board to be present.

49. In case of the absence of any one member from a meeting of the Board the other two members shall not proceed, unless it is shown that the third member has been notified of 10, the meeting in ample time to admit of his attendance.

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50. The Board may at any time dismiss any matter referred to it which it thinks frivolous or trivial.

51. The Board may, with the consent of the Minister, employ competent experts or assessors to examine the books or official 15 reports of either party, and to advise it upon any technical or other matter material to the investigation, but shall not disclose such reports or the results of such inspection or examination under this section without the consent of both the parties to the dispute.

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Remuneration and Expenses of Board.

Allowance to members

52. The members of a Board while engaged in the adjustment of a dispute shall be remunerated for their services as follows:—

(a) to members other than the chairman—
(i) an allowance of five dollars a day for a time not exceeding three days during which the members may 25 be actually engaged in selecting a third member of

the Board;
(ii) an allowance of fifteen dollars for each whole day's

sittings of the Board;
(iii) an allowance of seven dollars for each half-day's 35 sittings of the Board;

(b) the Chairman shall be allowed twenty dollars a day for each whole day's sittings of the Board, and ten dollars a day for each half-day's sittings;

(c) no allowance shall be made to any member of the Board on 40 account of any sitting of the Board which does not extend over a half day, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Minister that such meeting of the Board was necessary to the performance of its duties as speedy as possible, and that the causes which prevented a half-day's sitting of the Board were beyond its 45 control.

Acceptance of gratuities and perquisites by members an offence. 53. No member of the Board shall accept in addition to his salary any perquisite or gratuity of any kind, from any corporation, association, partnership or individual in any way interested in any matter or thing before or about to be brought 50 before the Board in accordance with the provisions of this Act. The accepting of such perquisite or gratuity by any member of

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