

134. Previous Authorization Necessary.

By article 27:—"Before having recourse to the provisions of this Act, the workman must be authorized thereto by a judge of the Superior Court upon petition served upon the employer.

"The judge shall grant such petition without the hearing of evidence or the taking of affidavits, but may before granting the same use such means as he may think useful to bring about an understanding between the parties. If they agree, he may render judgment in accordance with such agreement, upon the petition, and such judgment shall have the same effect as a final judgment of a competent court."

135. Commencement of Act.

By article 28:—"This Act shall come into force on the first day of January, 1910, and shall not apply to pending cases nor to accidents which have happened before it came into force."

These articles do not require any comment.