



# Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Act 1918

## 1918 CHAPTER 53

### 2 Extension of power to grant pensions to widows of constables.

(1) Where a man to whom this section applies, that is to say :—

- (a) a constable who was serving in either of the said police forces on the first day of September nineteen hundred and eighteen;
- (b) a constable of either of the said police forces who, having been called out as a reservist, or having entered or re-entered, enlisted or re-enlisted in any of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces for the purposes of the present war, was on the said first day of September serving in any such force ;
- (c) a constable who, having joined either of the said police forces after the said first day of September, has completed five years' service,

dies, or has, on or after the said first day of September, died whilst serving in the police force or in any of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces for the purposes of the present war, or whilst in receipt of a pension from the police authority, or in consequence of any disease or injury on account of which he retired from the police force, the police authority shall grant to his widow (being a woman whom he married before he retired from the police force and in accordance with the regulations of the force) a pension not exceeding twenty-six pounds a year, or if the constable's annual pay in the police force was more than two hundred and sixty pounds, not exceeding one tenth of the amount of such pay yearly :

Provided that if the widow is in receipt of a pension payable out of naval, military, or air force funds in pursuance of any Royal Warrant or Order in Council, then—

- (i) if the pension payable out of such funds amounts to or exceeds the amount prescribed by this section, no pension shall be payable under this section ;
- (ii) if the pension payable out of such funds is less than the amount prescribed by this section, the pension payable under this section shall be equal to the difference.

(2) Where a pension is granted under this Act to the widow of a constable to whom a gratuity has been granted on retirement from the police force, the pension shall be

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*Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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payable as from such date after the death of the constable as the police authority may determine.