

**HISTORY OF LABOR LEGISLATION
FOR WOMEN IN THREE STATES**

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AN ACT To establish in the Department of Labor a bureau to be known as the Women's Bureau.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be established in the Department of Labor a bureau to be known as the Women's Bureau.

SEC. 2. That the said bureau shall be in charge of a director, a woman, to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall receive an annual compensation of \$5,000. It shall be the duty of said bureau to formulate standards and policies which shall promote the welfare of wage-earning women, improve their working conditions, increase their efficiency, and advance their opportunities for profitable employment. The said bureau shall have authority to investigate and report to the said department upon all matters pertaining to the welfare of women in industry. The director of said bureau may from time to time publish the results of these investigations in such manner and to such extent as the Secretary of Labor may prescribe.

SEC. 3. That there shall be in said bureau an assistant director, appointed by the Secretary of Labor, who shall receive an compensation of \$3,500 and shall perform such duties as prescribed by the director and approved by the Secretary

That there is hereby authorized to be employed by said of clerk and such special agents, assistants, clerks, and at such rates of compensation and in such numbers from time to time provide by appropriations. The Secretary of Labor is hereby directed to furnish office furniture, and equipment, for the work of

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,
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Washington, November 17, 1928.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a succeeding volume to the report by this bureau of the effects of labor legislation on the employment opportunities of women.

This study is in two parts. Part 1 is a history of labor legislation for women in three States and attempts to show how and with whom each piece of legislation originated, the purpose it was to serve, its supporters, its opponents, and finally its legislative history. Part 2 is the chronological development of the labor legislation for women in the United States.

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Respectfully submitted.

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