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H.208

Introduced by Representative Hooper of Montpelier

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Labor; unemployment insurance; workers' compensation; Defender

General

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to exempt services provided by individuals in relation to juvenile or criminal litigation under the direction of counsel assigned to provide representation under authority of the Office of Defender General from the requirements for unemployment insurance and workers' compensation coverage.

An act relating to exempting certain services from the requirements for unemployment insurance and workers' compensation coverage

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 21 V.S.A. § 1301 is amended to read:

§ 1301. DEFINITIONS

The following words and phrases, as used in this chapter, ~~shall~~ have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

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1 provide representation under authority of the Office of Defender General
2 pursuant to the provisions of 13 V.S.A. chapter 163.

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4 Sec. 2. 21 V.S.A. § 601 is amended to read:

5 § 601. DEFINITIONS

6 Unless the context otherwise requires, words and phrases used in this
7 chapter shall be construed as follows:

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9 (14) “Worker” and “employee” means an individual who has entered
10 into the employment of, or works under contract of service or apprenticeship
11 with, an employer. Any reference to a worker who has died as the result of a
12 work injury shall include a reference to the worker’s dependents, and any
13 reference to a worker who is a minor or incompetent shall include a reference
14 to the minor’s committee, guardian, or next friend. The term “worker” or
15 “employee” does not include:

16 * * *

17 (I) An individual who performs services in relation to juvenile or
18 criminal litigation under the direction of counsel assigned to provide
19 representation under authority of the Office of Defender General pursuant to
20 the provisions of 13 V.S.A. chapter 163.

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1 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on passage.