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AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, relating to the definition of employee; and providing for the repeal of such provisions

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The fourth undesignated paragraph of subdivision 4 of section 2 of the workers' compensation law, as added by chapter 903 of the laws of 1986, is amended to read as follows:

"Employee" shall also mean, for purposes of this chapter ONLY, AND NOT FOR THE PURPOSES OF ANY OTHER PROVISION OR STATUTE DEPENDENT UPON THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYEE, a professional musician or a person otherwise engaged in the performing arts who performs services as such for a television or radio station or network, a film production, a theatre, hotel, restaurant, night club or similar establishment unless, by written contract, such musician or person is stipulated to be an employee of another employer covered by this chapter, OR EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENT COVERAGE BECAUSE THE MUSICIAN OR PERSON DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH IS AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF A CORPORATION WHO IS DEEMED EXCLUDED COVERAGE UNDER PARAGRAPHS (C) AND E OF SUBDIVISION SIX OF SECTION FIFTY-FOUR OF THIS CHAPTER, AND WHO, AFTER SUSTAINING ANOTHERWISE INJURY, ELECTS TO WAIVE COVERAGE UNDER THIS CHAPTER PROVIDED BY AN ESTABLISHMENT DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH OR ITS COMPENSATION PROVIDED, WHERE A MUSICIAN OR PERSON DESCRIBED IN THIS PARAGRAPH IS COVERED BY A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT, THE UNION MUST CONSENT SUCH ELECTION . "Engaged in the performing arts" shall mean performing

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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1 service in connection with the production of or performance in any 2 artistic endeavor which requires artistic or technical skill or exper-3 tise.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all cases, matters or proceedings pending on such date, or which have not been finally adjudicated on such date or commenced on or after such date; provided, however, that this act shall expire and be deemed repealed 3 years after such effective date.