STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

February 20, 2019

Introduced by M. of A. CUSICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to eligibility for New York state paid family leave benefits by persons engaged in a teaching capacity in a religious institution

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Group 18 of subdivision 1 of section 3 of the workers' 2 compensation law, as amended by chapter 260 of the laws of 1972, is 3 amended to read as follows:

Group 18. All other employments, except persons engaged in a [teaching er] nonmanual capacity in or for a religious, charitable or educational institution, notwithstanding the definition of employment in subdivision five of section two, not hereinbefore enumerated, carried on by any person, firm or corporation in which there are engaged or employed one or more employees regularly, in the same business or in or about the 10 same establishment either upon the premises or at the plant or away from 11 the plant of the employer, under any contract of hire, express or implied, oral or written, except farm laborers and domestics other than 12 13 those within the coverage of this chapter pursuant to groups fourteen-b 14 and twelve respectively of this subdivision, unless the employer has elected to bring such employees under the law by securing compensation 16 in accordance with the terms of section fifty of this chapter and persons engaged in voluntary service not under contract of hire. A duly 17 ordained, commissioned or licensed minister, priest or rabbi, a sexton, 18 a christian science reader, or a member of a religious order, shall not 19 20 be deemed to be employed or engaged in employment under the terms of 21 this section. Recipients of charitable aid from a religious or charita-22 ble institution who perform work in or for the institution which is incidental to or in return for the aid conferred, and not under any 24 express contract of hire, shall not be deemed to be employed or engaged

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in employment under the terms of this section. All persons who are members of a supervised amateur athletic activity operated on a non-profit basis shall not be deemed to be employed or engaged in employment 3 under the terms of this section, provided that said members are not also otherwise engaged or employed by any person, firm or corporation participating in said athletic activity. The terms "religious, charitable or 7 educational institution" mean a corporation, unincorporated association, community chest, fund or foundation organized and operated exclusively 9 religious, charitable or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inure to the benefit of any private shareholder 10 11 individual.

§ 2. The opening paragraph of subdivision 5 of section 201 of the workers' compensation law, as amended by chapter 481 of the laws 2010, is amended to read as follows:

15 "Employee" means a person engaged in the service of an employer in any 16 employment defined in subdivision six of this section, except a minor 17 child of the employer, except a duly ordained, commissioned, or licensed minister, priest or rabbi, a sexton, a christian science reader, or 18 member of a religious order, or an executive officer of a corporation 19 20 who at all times during the period involved owns all of the issued and 21 outstanding stock of the corporation and holds all of the offices pursuant to paragraph (e) of section seven hundred fifteen of the business 22 23 corporation law or two executive officers of a corporation who at all 24 times during the period involved between them own all of the issued and 25 outstanding stock of such corporation and hold all such offices 26 provided, however, that each officer must own at least one share of 27 stock, except as provided in section two hundred twelve of this article, 28 or an executive officer of an incorporated religious, charitable or 29 educational institution, or persons engaged in a professional [or teach-30 ing | capacity in or for a religious, charitable or educational institu-31 tion, or volunteers in or for a religious, charitable or educational 32 institution, or persons participating in and receiving rehabilitative 33 services in a sheltered workshop operated by a religious, charitable or 34 educational institution under a certificate issued by the United States 35 department of labor, or recipients of charitable aid from a religious or 36 charitable institution who perform work in or for the institution which 37 incidental to or in return for the aid conferred, and not under an 38 express contract of hire. The terms "religious, charitable or educational institution" mean a corporation, unincorporated association, 39 community chest, fund or foundation organized and operated exclusively 40 41 for religious, charitable or educational purposes, no part of the net 42 earnings of which inure to the benefit of any private shareholder 43 individual.

3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall 45 have become a law.