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H.B. No. 481

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the eligibility for partial unemployment benefits of  
3 certain persons with disabilities who have been discharged from  
4 partial employment.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Chapter 207 of the Labor Code is amended by  
7 adding Section 207.0211 to read as follows:

8 207.0211 ELIGIBILITY OF DISABLED INDIVIDUALS

9 (a) A disabled individual who is receiving disability  
10 insurance in accordance with 42 USC Sec 423 because of a disability  
11 which limits the numbers of hours the individual can work and who is  
12 available for partial employment is considered to be available for  
13 work under Section 207.021(a)(4).

14 (b) The individual's benefit shall be based on the number of  
15 hours the employee worked during the individual's base period or  
16 the number of hours of employment the individual is seeking,  
17 whichever is less.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.