

AN ACT

relating to exempting from certain employment restrictions the employment of certain children engaged in the direct sale of newspapers to the general public.

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

SECTION 1. Section 51.003(a), Labor Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) This chapter does not apply to employment of a child:

(1) employed:

(A) in a nonhazardous occupation;

(B) under the direct supervision of the child's parent or an adult having custody of the child; and

(C) in a business or enterprise owned or operated by the parent or custodian;

(2) 11 years or older engaged in delivery of newspapers to the consumer;

(3) participating in a school-supervised and school-administered work-study program approved by the commission;

(4) employed in agriculture during a period when the child is not legally required to be attending school;

(5) employed through a rehabilitation program supervised by a county judge; ~~or~~

(6) engaged in nonhazardous casual employment that will not endanger the safety, health, or well-being of the child and

1 to which the parent or adult having custody of the child has
2 consented; or

3 (7) 16 years or older engaged in the direct sale of
4 newspapers to the general public.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 581 was passed by the House on April 5, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 137, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 581 on May 25, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 581 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 23, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor