

1-1 By: Deshotel (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) H.B. No. 581
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 10, 2007;
1-3 April 11, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Business and Commerce; May 22, 2007, reported adversely, with
1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5,
1-6 Nays 0; May 22, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 581 By: Estes

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to exempting from certain employment restrictions the
1-11 employment of certain children engaged in the direct sale of
1-12 newspapers to the general public.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-14 SECTION 1. Section 51.003(a), Labor Code, is amended to
1-15 read as follows:

1-16 (a) This chapter does not apply to employment of a child:

1-17 (1) employed:

1-18 (A) in a nonhazardous occupation;

1-19 (B) under the direct supervision of the child's
1-20 parent or an adult having custody of the child; and

1-21 (C) in a business or enterprise owned or operated
1-22 by the parent or custodian;

1-23 (2) 11 years or older engaged in delivery of
1-24 newspapers to the consumer;

1-25 (3) participating in a school-supervised and
1-26 school-administered work-study program approved by the commission;

1-27 (4) employed in agriculture during a period when the
1-28 child is not legally required to be attending school;

1-29 (5) employed through a rehabilitation program
1-30 supervised by a county judge; ~~or~~

1-31 (6) engaged in nonhazardous casual employment that
1-32 will not endanger the safety, health, or well-being of the child and
1-33 to which the parent or adult having custody of the child has
1-34 consented; or

1-35 (7) 16 years or older engaged in the direct sale of
1-36 newspapers to the general public.

1-37 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-38 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-39 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-40 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-41 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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