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H.B. No. 1694

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the eligibility of school bus drivers and cafeteria workers for unemployment compensation benefits.

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

SECTION 1. Section 207.041, Labor Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) Subsection (b) does not apply to an individual if the services performed by the individual for an educational institution consist only of:

(1) driving a school bus transporting students to and from school or a school-sponsored or school-related activity; or

(2) working as a cafeteria worker.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a claim for unemployment compensation benefits filed with the Texas Workforce Commission on or after the effective date of this Act. A claim filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the claim was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.