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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 50.04 RCW to read as follows:

The term "employment" shall not include services performed by a person who is participating in a performance sponsored by an employer whose North American industry classification system code is within "711110," "711120," "711130," or "712110," so long as the person receives no remuneration other than a nominal stipend and the employer does not have more than three individuals in its employ during any portion of a day during the calendar year.

For purposes of this section, "stipend" means a fixed sum of money paid periodically to defray expenses. The stipend is presumed to defray the person's incidental expenses involved in participating in the performance, including, but not limited to, meals, transportation, lodging, costumes, supplies, and child care."

**EFFECT:** Specifies that "employment" also does not include services performed by persons participating in performances sponsored by musical groups and artists (as well as theater companies and dinner theaters, dance companies, and museums), so long as other requirements are met. Also modifies structure of new section.