
SENATE BILL 6506

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By Senator Carrell

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1 AN ACT Relating to the definition of worker for purposes of
2 workers' compensation; and amending RCW 51.08.180.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 51.08.180 and 2008 c 102 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) "Worker" means every person in this state who is engaged in the
7 employment of an employer under this title, whether by way of manual
8 labor or otherwise in the course of his or her employment; also every
9 person in this state who is engaged in the employment of or who is
10 working under an independent contract, the essence of which is his or
11 her personal labor for an employer under this title, whether by way of
12 manual labor or otherwise, in the course of his or her employment(~~(~~
13 ~~or~~)).

14 (2) ~~As ((an)) exceptions~~ to the definition of worker, (a) a person
15 is not a worker if he or she meets the tests set forth in ~~((subsections~~
16 ~~(1) through (6) of))~~ RCW 51.08.195 (1) through (6) or the separate
17 tests set forth in RCW 51.08.181 for work performed that requires
18 registration under chapter 18.27 RCW or licensing under chapter 19.28
19 RCW(~~(:—PROVIDED, That))~~); (b) a person is not a worker for the purpose

1 of this title, with respect to his or her activities attendant to
2 operating a truck which he or she owns, and which is leased to a common
3 or contract carrier; and (c) a person is not a worker when that person
4 is a franchisee under chapter 19.100 RCW.

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