

Second Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2008)

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SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 219

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 4-1-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 1. It is the intent of this chapter that state offices be open and able to conduct public business at all times during an eight and one-half (8 1/2) hour working day. Each employee shall work for a full seven and one-half (7 1/2) hours each working day and provision for a one (1) hour lunch period shall be provided each employee. Lunch hours of employees shall be staggered to permit the conduct of business at all times during a working day. **Breaks shall be provided as set forth in IC 5-10-6-2.** It shall be lawful for state offices to close their doors for business from the close of the working day each Friday or in the event Friday is a legal holiday, then from the close of the working day on the Thursday which immediately precedes such legal holiday, until the commencement of the working day on the next following Monday, or in the event Monday is a legal holiday, then until the commencement of the working day on the Tuesday which immediately follows such legal holiday; provided, however, that the state library may be kept open until noon Saturdays in the discretion of the Indiana library and historical board.

SECTION 2. IC 5-10-6-2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: **Sec. 2. (a) The state and political subdivisions of the state shall provide reasonable paid break time each day to an employee**

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who needs to express breast milk for the employee's infant child. The break time must, if possible, run concurrently with any break time already provided to the employee. The state and political subdivisions are not required to provide break time under this section if providing break time would unduly disrupt the operations of the state or political subdivisions.

(b) The state and political subdivisions of the state shall make reasonable efforts to provide a room or other location, other than a toilet stall, in close proximity to the work area, where an employee described in subsection (a) can express the employee's breast milk in privacy. The state and political subdivisions shall make reasonable efforts to provide a refrigerator or other cold storage space for keeping milk that has been expressed. The state or a political subdivision is not liable if the state or political subdivision makes a reasonable effort to comply with this subsection.

SECTION 3. IC 20-33-3-30, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 30. (a) This section applies to occupations for which a child less than eighteen (18) years of age may be employed or allowed to work under this chapter but does not apply to children subject to:

- (1) section 6 of this chapter; or
- (2) section 29(2) or 29(3) of this chapter.

(b) A person, firm, limited liability company, or corporation that employs a child less than eighteen (18) years of age shall provide the child one (1) or two (2) rest breaks totaling at least thirty (30) minutes if the child is scheduled to work at least six (6) consecutive hours. **Breaks shall be provided as set forth in IC 5-10-6-2.**

SECTION 4. IC 22-2-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]:

Chapter 14. Employee Breaks

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "employer" means a person or entity that employs twenty-five (25) or more employees.

Sec. 2. (a) To the extent reasonably possible, an employer shall provide a private location, other than a toilet stall, where an employee can express the employee's breast milk in privacy during any period away from the employee's assigned duties.

(b) To the extent reasonably possible, an employer shall:

- (1) provide a refrigerator or other cold storage space for keeping milk that has been expressed; or**

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(2) allow the employee to provide the employee's own portable cold storage device for keeping milk that has been expressed until the end of the employee's work day.

(c) Except in cases of willful misconduct, gross negligence, or bad faith, an employer is not liable for any harm caused by or arising from either of the following that occur on the employer's premises:

(1) The expressing of an employee's breast milk.

(2) The storage of expressed milk.

SECTION 5. IC 34-30-2-11.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: **Sec. 11.2. IC 5-10-6-2 (Concerning employee breaks for nursing mothers).**

SECTION 6. IC 34-30-2-87.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: **Sec. 87.2. IC 22-2-14-2(c) (Concerning the expressing and storage of an employee's breast milk on an employer's premises).**

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