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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to unemployment compensation; amending s. 443.101, F.S.; providing for disqualification for unemployment compensation if a day laborer employed by a labor pool fails to report for reassignment; defining the terms "labor pool" and "day laborer" for purposes of such provisions; providing that a day laborer who fails to return in person to obtain a new assignment upon conclusion of his or her latest assignment is deemed to have voluntarily quit employment; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (10) of section 443.101, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

443.101 Disqualification for benefits. -- An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

(10) Subject to the requirements of this subsection, if the claim is made based on the loss of employment as a leased employee for an employee leasing company or as a temporary employee for a temporary help firm or labor pool.

(a) As used in this subsection, the term:

1. "Temporary help firm" means a firm that hires its own employees and assigns them to clients to support or supplement the client's workforce in work situations such as employee absences, temporary skill shortages, seasonal workloads, and special assignments and projects. The term also includes a firm created by an entity licensed under s. 125.012(6), which hires

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employees assigned by a union for the purpose of supplementing or supporting the workforce of the temporary help firm's clients. The term does not include employee leasing companies regulated under part XI of chapter 468.

- 2. "Labor pool" means those entities defined in s. 448.22.
- 3.2. "Temporary employee" means an employee assigned to work for the clients of a temporary help firm.
- $\underline{4.3.}$ "Leased employee" means an employee assigned to work for the clients of an employee leasing company regulated under part XI of chapter 468.
- 5. "Day laborer" means any individual employed by a labor pool.
- (b) A temporary or leased employee is deemed to have voluntarily quit employment and is disqualified for benefits under subparagraph (1)(a)1. if, upon conclusion of his or her latest assignment, the temporary or leased employee, without good cause, failed to contact the temporary help or employee-leasing firm for reassignment, if the employer advised the temporary or leased employee at the time of hire and that the leased employee is notified also at the time of separation that he or she must report for reassignment upon conclusion of each assignment, regardless of the duration of the assignment, and that unemployment benefits may be denied for failure to report.
- (c) A day laborer is deemed to have voluntarily quit employment and is disqualified for benefits under subparagraph (1) (a) 1. if, upon conclusion of his or her latest assignment, the day laborer, without good cause, fails to return in person on the next business day to obtain a new assignment. The labor pool must advise the day laborer at the time of hire that he or she must

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report in person for reassignment the next business day following conclusion of each assignment, regardless of the duration of the assignment, and that unemployment benefits may be denied for failure to report in person.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

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