

CHAPTER 133

(Senate Bill 468)

AN ACT concerning

Messenger Services Drivers - Unemployment
Coverage - Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting certain drivers for messenger services operations from coverage under the unemployment insurance law; requiring as a condition for the exemption certain conditions between the parties and disclosure of the condition to the drivers; and generally relating to an exemption from unemployment insurance coverage for certain messenger service drivers.

BY adding to

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law
Section 20(g)(6)(vi)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law

20.

As used in this article, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(g) (6) Services performed by an individual for wages or under any contract of hire shall be deemed to be employment subject to this article, irrespective of whether the common-law relationship of master and servant exists, unless and until it is shown to the satisfaction of the Executive Director that:

(VI) AN INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR OTHER ENTITY THAT IS ENGAGED IN THE MESSENGER SERVICE DELIVERY BUSINESS IS NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH SUBPARAGRAPHS (I), (II) AND (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH IF IT IS SHOWN TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR THAT:

1. THE MESSENGER SERVICE BUSINESS DRIVERS PROVIDE THEIR OWN VEHICLES ~~OR-THE-DRIVERS-PAY-TO-THE-BUSINESS-A-STIPULATED-AMOUNT-FOR-THE-USE-OF-THE-VEHICLE;~~