

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0137

Worker's compensation-legislators.

Sponsored by: Management Council

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to worker's compensation; providing for  
2 worker's compensation coverage for legislators; amending  
3 and creating definitions; and providing for an effective  
4 date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 27-14-102(a)(vii)(N) and by creating  
9 a new paragraph (xxxi) and 27-14-108(d) by creating a new  
10 paragraph (xix) are amended to read:

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12 **27-14-102. Definitions.**

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14 (a) As used in this act:

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1           (vii) "Employee" means any person engaged in any  
2 extrahazardous employment under any appointment, contract  
3 of hire or apprenticeship, express or implied, oral or  
4 written, and includes legally employed minors, aliens  
5 authorized to work by the United States department of  
6 justice, office of citizenship and immigration services,  
7 and aliens whom the employer reasonably believes, at the  
8 date of hire and the date of injury based upon  
9 documentation in the employer's possession, to be  
10 authorized to work by the United States department of  
11 justice, office of citizenship and immigration services.  
12 "Employee" does not include:

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14           (N) An elected public official or an  
15 appointed member of any governmental board or commission,  
16 except for a duly elected or appointed county officer or a  
17 member of the legislature;

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19           (xxxi) "Member of the legislature" means a duly  
20 elected or appointed member of the Wyoming legislature  
21 commencing when the member's term begins if elected or upon  
22 being sworn into office if appointed and until such time as

1 the member's seat is vacated as provided in W.S. 22-18-101  
2 or the member's term ends.

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4       **27-14-108. Extrahazardous industries, employments,**  
5 **occupations; enumeration; definitions; optional coverage.**

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7       (d) This act applies to governmental entities engaged  
8 in an industrial classification listed under subsection (a)  
9 of this section and to employees of governmental entities  
10 engaged in or employed as the following:

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12               (xix) A member of the legislature while engaged  
13 in an activity or traveling to or from an activity in the  
14 member's official capacity as a member of the legislature.

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16       **Section 2.** This act is effective January 2, 2023.

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