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AN ACT relating to industrial insurance; establishing a deemed wage for certain trainees for the purpose of industrial insurance; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 616A.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:

616A.215 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, any person who is an apprentice *or trainee* shall be deemed for the purposes of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS to be an employee of an apprenticeship committee registered with the state apprenticeship council at a wage of \$150 per month while he is:

(a) Attending a class for vocational training; or
(b) Receiving bona fide instruction as an apprentice ~~H~~ *or trainee*, under the direction of the apprenticeship committee. Such an apprentice *or trainee* is entitled to the benefits of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive ~~H~~, *of NRS.*

2. A person who is an apprentice *or trainee* shall be deemed for the purposes of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS to be an employee of an employer who is participating in a program of training and instruction as an apprentice *or trainee* approved pursuant to chapter 610 of NRS while:

(a) The apprentice *or trainee* is performing work for that employer; and
(b) The employer is paying the apprentice *or trainee* a wage for the work performed.

The apprentice *or trainee* shall be deemed to be an employee at a wage equal to his average monthly wage as determined pursuant to the regulations adopted by the administrator pursuant to NRS 616C.420 and is entitled to the benefits of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS.

3. If an apprentice *or trainee* who is employed by an employer participating in a program of training and instruction is injured while he is deemed to be an employee of the apprenticeship committee pursuant to subsection 1 and the apprentice *or trainee* is unable to work for an employer participating in the program solely because of that injury, the apprentice *or trainee* shall be deemed to be an employee of the apprenticeship committee at a wage of \$150 per month or at his average monthly wage as determined pursuant to the regulations adopted by the administrator pursuant to NRS 616C.420, whichever is greater.

4. *As used in this section, "trainee" means a person who is under the direction of an apprenticeship committee specified in subsection 1 and, for that purpose, is described by that apprenticeship committee as a "journeyworker trainee."*

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.