



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5943**

LCO No. 1546



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:

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**AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE  
AND EXCLUDING FROM AN EMPLOYER'S TRADE OR BUSINESS  
CONTRACTED WORK THAT IS SPECIALIZED AND IS NOT  
REGULARLY AND ROUTINELY UNDERTAKEN BY THE EMPLOYER'S  
EMPLOYEES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That section 31-291 of the general statutes be amended to specify that  
2 when any principal employer procures any work to be done wholly or  
3 in part for him by a contractor, or through him by a subcontractor, and  
4 the work so procured to be done is a part or process in the trade or  
5 business of such principal employer, and is performed in, on or about  
6 premises under his control, such principal employer shall be liable to  
7 pay all compensation under this chapter to the same extent as if the  
8 work were done without the intervention of such contractor or  
9 subcontractor. Specifically excluded from the employer's trade or  
10 business is contracted work that is specialized and is not regularly and  
11 routinely undertaken by the employer's employees. The provisions of  
12 said section shall not extend immunity to any principal employer from  
13 a civil action brought by an injured employee or his dependent under

14 the provisions of section 31-293 of the general statutes to recover  
15 damages resulting from personal injury or wrongful death occurring on  
16 or after May 28, 1988, unless such principal employer has paid  
17 compensation benefits under this chapter to such injured employee or  
18 his dependent for the injury or death which is the subject of the action.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To amend section 31-291 of the general statutes to specifically exclude from an employer's trade or business contracted work that is specialized and is not regularly and routinely undertaken by the employer's employees.