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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1448

5 By: Representative Watson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MOTOR CARRIERS; TO
9 CLARIFY A DRIVER'S EMPLOYMENT STATUS IN CERTAIN
10 SITUATIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

12 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MOTOR
13 CARRIERS; AND TO CLARIFY A DRIVER'S
14 EMPLOYMENT STATUS IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 13, Subchapter 1, is
22 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23 23-13-101. Use of motor carrier safety improvement – Employment status
24 unchanged.

25 (a) As used in this section:

26 (1) "Employment status" means the classification of a motor
27 vehicle driver who engages in the transportation of property for compensation
28 as an agent, employee, servant, or independent contractor for a motor
29 carrier; and

30 (2) "Motor carrier safety improvement" means any device,
31 equipment, software, technology, procedure, training, policy, program, or
32 operational practice intended and primarily used to improve or facilitate:

33 (A) Compliance with traffic safety or motor carrier safety
34 laws;

35 (B) Motor vehicle safety;

36 (C) The safety of an operator of a motor vehicle; or



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(D) The safety of a third-party public roadway user.
(b) The deployment, implementation of, or use of a motor carrier
safety improvement by a motor carrier does not change the employment status
of a driver.