

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6721

January Session, 2023



AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND PORTAL-TO-PORTAL COVERAGE FOR TELECOMMUNICATORS.

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

- 1 Section 1. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of section 31-275 of the
- 2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):
- 4 (A) (i) For a police officer, [or] firefighter or a telecommunicator, as
- 5 <u>defined in section 28-30</u>, "in the course of his employment" encompasses
- 6 such individual's departure from such individual's place of abode to
- duty, such individual's duty, and the return to such individual's place
- 8 of abode after duty;
- 9 (ii) For an employee of the Department of Correction, (I) when
- 10 responding to a direct order to appear at his or her work assignment
- 11 under circumstances in which nonessential employees are excused from
- 12 working, or (II) following two or more mandatory overtime work shifts
- on consecutive days, "in the course of his employment" encompasses
- 14 such individual's departure from such individual's place of abode
- directly to duty, such individual's duty, and the return directly to such
- individual's place of abode after duty;
- 17 (iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of clauses (i) and (ii) of this

subparagraph, the dependents of any deceased employee of the 18 19 Department of Correction who was injured in the course of his 20 employment, as defined in this subparagraph, on or after July 1, 2000, 21 and who died not later than July 15, 2000, shall be paid compensation 22 on account of the death, in accordance with the provisions of section 31-23 306, retroactively to the date of the employee's death. The cost of the 24 payment shall be paid by the employer or its insurance carrier which 25 shall be reimbursed for such cost from the Second Injury Fund as 26 provided in section 31-354 upon presentation of any vouchers and 27 information that the Treasurer may require;

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2023	31-275(1)(A)

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