

ACT No. 624

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 375

BY REPRESENTATIVE ABRAMSON AND SENATOR THOMPSON

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(2)(b)(v), relative to the Quality Jobs Rebate Program;
3 to provide for definitions; to provide for eligibility requirements for certain
4 employers; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 51:2453(2)(b)(v) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §2453. Definitions

9 The following words or terms as used in this Chapter shall have the following
10 meaning, unless a different meaning appears from the context:

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12 (2) "Employer" shall mean a legal person who executes a contract with the
13 department pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter and who offers, or will offer
14 within ninety days of the effective date of qualifying for the incentive rebates
15 pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter, a basic health benefits plan to the
16 individuals it employs in new direct jobs in this state which shall be determined by
17 the Department of Economic Development to be in compliance with federally
18 mandated healthcare requirements or, if no federally mandated healthcare
19 requirements exist, shall be determined to have a value of at least one dollar and
20 twenty-five cents per hour.

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22 (b) To qualify for a contract pursuant to this Chapter, employers must meet
23 one of the following provisions:

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1 (v) The employer is located in a parish which is within the lowest twenty-
2 five percent of parishes based on per capita income. ~~Such designation shall be~~
3 ~~maintained for the period~~ An employer that qualifies for a contract under this Item
4 at the time of the initial quality jobs contract executed pursuant to this Chapter ~~and~~
5 shall remain qualified for a contract through and during the renewal period of any
6 ~~such contract~~ regardless of any change in the per capita income of the parish.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____