

or a "work activities center" after completion of any training program run by the "sheltered workshop" or "work activities center."

(3) If the certificate is revoked by the U. S. Department of Labor, the Commissioner may revoke his acceptance of the certificate. At any time prior to revocation of a certificate by the U. S. Department of Labor, the Commissioner may cause an investigation to be made, and upon 30 days prior written notice by certified mail to the certificate holder, hold a hearing to determine if there is good cause to revoke the Commissioner's acceptance of a certificate issued by the U. S. Department of Labor.

(4) (I) If the Commissioner fails to determine rates less than the fixed minimum wage as provided under this section for an individual "sheltered workshop" or "work activities center" and if a certificate issued by the U.S. Department of Labor is not applicable, that individual "sheltered workshop" or "work activities center" may request an exemption from the Commissioner. After investigation and hearing, the Commissioner may exempt that individual "sheltered workshop" or "work activities center" from the fixed minimum wage provisions under the Wage and Hour Law.

(II) THE COMMISSIONER MAY NOT REDUCE THE AMOUNT THAT A SHELTERED WORKSHOP FACILITY IS REQUIRED TO PAY ALL PARTICIPANTS TO LESS THAN 50 PERCENT OF THE FIXED MINIMUM WAGE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if House Bill 100 of 1985 becomes law, beginning on October 1, 1985, this Act shall be deemed to amend the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Code, and references to § 8-201 of Article 21 shall be deemed to refer to § 11-141 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

SECTION 2 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

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Dear Mr. Speaker: