

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Labor and Employment

9-206.

(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, an officer of a corporation or a member of a limited liability company is a covered employee if the officer or member provides a service for the corporation or limited liability company for monetary compensation.

(b) An individual who otherwise would be a covered employee under this section may elect to be exempt from coverage if:

(1) the individual is an officer of a close corporation, as defined in § 4-101(b) of the Corporations and Associations Article;

(2) the individual:

(i) is an officer of a corporation that earns at least 75% of its income from farm operations; and

(ii) owns at least 20% of the outstanding capital stock of the corporation;

(3) the individual:

(i) is an officer of a professional corporation, as defined in § 5-101(d) of the Corporations and Associations Article;

(ii) owns at least 20% of the outstanding capital stock of the corporation; and

(iii) performs for the corporation a professional service, as defined in § 5-101(e) of the Corporations and Associations Article; or

(4) The individual:

(i) is a member of a limited liability company; and

(ii) owns at least 20% of the outstanding interests in profits of the limited liability company.

(c) (1) A corporation or limited liability company shall submit to the Commission and to the insurer of the corporation or limited liability company a written notice that names the individual who has elected to be excluded from coverage.

(2) An election under subsection (b)(1) or (b)(4) of this section is not effective until a corporation or limited liability company complies with this subsection.

9-219.

(a) Unless an election is made in accordance with this section, a partner of a partnership is not a covered employee.