REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 101, § 67(3).

The word "covered" is added to distinguish employees for whom coverage is required under the law from employees for whom coverage is not required.

The language "for whom a person, a governmental unit, or a quasi-public corporation is required by law to provide coverage under this title" is added to provide a generic description of any individual for whom coverage is required by law.

Until 1970, coverage under the workers' compensation law of the State was given primarily to "workmen for wages" and only when engaged in "extra-hazardous employment". Chapter 741, Acts of 1970, broadened the coverage required under former Art. 101 to include most employees as well as certain other workers. Accordingly, throughout this title, the former references to "workmen for wages" and "extra-hazardous employment" are deleted as obsolete.

Defined terms: "Governmental unit" § 1-101 "Person" § 1-101

(G) OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE.

"OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE" MEANS A DISEASE CONTRACTED BY A COVERED EMPLOYEE:

- (1) AS THE RESULT OF AND IN THE COURSE OF EMPLOYMENT;
- (2) THAT CAUSES THE COVERED EMPLOYEE TO BECOME TEMPORARILY OR PERMANENTLY, PARTIALLY OR TOTALLY INCAPACITATED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 101, § 67(13).

In the introductory language of this subsection, the former word "event" is deleted as potentially misleading since a disease normally is not characterized as an "event".

In item (2) of this subsection, the reference to an employee becoming "permanently" incapacitated is added to clarify that occupational disease includes disease that causes an employee to become permanently incapacitated. This addition is called to the attention of the General Assembly.

Also in item (2) of this subsection, the former word "actually" is deleted as surplusage. This deletion is not intended to change the definition of "occupational disease".

Defined term: "Covered employee" § 9-101