

HB1021_L.003

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT

Committee on Judiciary.HB17-1021 be amended as follows:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-1-115, amend (1)
4 as follows:

5 **8-1-115. Information not public - penalty for divulging.**
6 (1) (a) The information contained in the reports lawfully required to be
7 furnished by the employer in section 8-1-114, ~~such~~ other information as
8 ~~may be~~ furnished to the division by employers and employees in
9 pursuance of ~~the provisions of this article~~ ARTICLE 1, and ~~such~~
10 information obtained through inspections or other proceedings of UNDER
11 ~~this article which might reveal~~ ARTICLE 1 THAT REVEALS a trade secret
12 ~~shall be~~ IS for the exclusive use and information of ~~said~~ THE division in
13 the discharge of its official duties. AN EMPLOYER MAY DESIGNATE
14 INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THE DIVISION AS PROPRIETARY, A TRADE
15 SECRET, OR PRIVILEGED INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
16 24-72-204 (3); AS LONG AS THE DIRECTOR IS NOT BOUND BY THE
17 EMPLOYER'S DESIGNATION. The director may treat and file the information
18 or any part thereof OF THE INFORMATION as confidential, and, when so
19 treated or filed by the director, the ~~same shall be considered to be~~
20 INFORMATION IS confidential, information for the sole use of the division,
21 and ~~shall not be~~ open to the public nor TO be used in any court in any
22 action or proceeding pending therein unless the division is a party to ~~such~~
23 THE action or proceeding. The court shall issue ~~such~~ orders as ~~may be~~
24 appropriate to protect the confidentiality of trade secrets. The information
25 contained in ~~this~~ A report may be tabulated and published by the division
26 in statistical form for the use and information of other state departments
27 and the public.

28 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION, THE
29 DIVISION SHALL TREAT ANY NOTICE OF CITATION OR NOTICE OF
30 ASSESSMENT ISSUED TO AN EMPLOYER FOR VIOLATION OF A WAGE LAW,
31 INCLUDING A VIOLATION OF SECTION 8-4-111 (2) (c), AFTER ALL REMEDIES
32 HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 8-4-111.5, AS A PUBLIC
33 RECORD AND SHALL RELEASE THE INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC UPON
34 REQUEST PURSUANT TO THE "COLORADO OPEN RECORDS ACT", PART 2 OF
35 ARTICLE 72 OF TITLE 24, UNLESS THE DIRECTOR MAKES A DETERMINATION
36 THAT THE INFORMATION IS A TRADE SECRET. BEFORE RELEASING ANY
37 INFORMATION RELATING TO THE VIOLATION OF A WAGE LAW, THE



1 DIRECTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE EMPLOYER OF THE POTENTIAL RELEASE OF
2 THE INFORMATION. THE EMPLOYER THEN HAS TWENTY DAYS TO PROVIDE
3 THE DIRECTOR WITH FURTHER DOCUMENTATION DEMONSTRATING THAT
4 THE INFORMATION, OR SPECIFIC MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE INFORMATION,
5 IS A TRADE SECRET. IF THE DIRECTOR, IN THE DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION,
6 DETERMINES THAT THE INFORMATION, OR ANY PORTION OF THE
7 INFORMATION, IS A TRADE SECRET, THE DIRECTOR SHALL TREAT THE
8 INFORMATION AS CONFIDENTIAL UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (1). FOR
9 PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION (1)(b), "TRADE SECRET" HAS THE SAME
10 MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 7-74-102 (4).

11 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
12 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
13 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety."

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