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Referred to Committee on EMPLOYEES

LABOR AND PUBLIC

Introduced by: (LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF QUOTAS BY WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTION CENTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) As used in this section and
 sections 2 to 9, inclusive, of this act:

3 (1) "Employee" means an individual who is employed at a warehouse
4 distribution center. "Employee" does not include a driver or courier
5 traveling to or from a warehouse distribution center;

6 (2) "Employer" means an individual, corporation, partnership, 7 limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability 8 company, business trust, estate, trust, association, joint venture, agency, 9 instrumentality or any other legal or commercial entity, whether 10 domestic or foreign that directly or indirectly, or through an agent or 11 any other person, including through services of a third-party employer, 12 temporary services, staffing agency, independent contractor or any 13 similar entity, at any time in the prior twelve months, employs or 14 exercises control over the wages, hours or working conditions of one

hundred or more employees at a single warehouse distribution center
in the state or one thousand or more employees at one or more
warehouse distribution centers in the state;

18 (3) "Quota" means a work performance standard where:

(A) An employee is assigned or required to perform at a specified
productivity speed or a quantified number of tasks or to handle or
produce a quantified amount of material within a defined time period;

(B) Actions by an employee are categorized and measured between
time performing tasks and not performing tasks within a defined time
period;

(C) Increments of time within a defined time period during which an
employee is or is not doing a particular activity that are measured,
recorded or tallied; or

(D) An employee's performance is ranked in relation to theperformance of other employees;

(4) "Work speed data" means information an employer collects,
stores, analyzes or interprets relating to an individual employee's
performance of a quota, including, but not limited to, quantities of tasks
performed, quantities of items or materials handled or produced, rates
or speeds of tasks performed by the employee, measurements or metrics
of employee performance in relation to a quota and time categorized as
performing tasks or not performing tasks; and

(5) "Warehouse distribution center" means an establishment as
defined by any of the following North American Industry Classification
System Codes, however such establishment is denominated: (A) 493110
for General Warehousing and Storage, (B) 423 for Merchant
Wholesalers, Durable Goods, (C) 424 for Merchant Wholesalers,
Nondurable Goods, (D) 454110 for Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order
Houses, or (E) 492110 for Couriers and Express Delivery Services.

44 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) On and after July 1, 2026,

an employer shall provide to each employee a written description of
each quota to which such employee is subject, including any potential
adverse employment action that may result from a failure to satisfy such
quota. Such written description shall be provided to an employer's
current employees not later than August 1, 2026. For employees hired
after August 1, 2026, such written description shall be provided to the
employee upon hire.

52 (b) Whenever an employer makes a change to an existing quota for 53 an employee that results in a new quota for such employee, an employer 54 shall:

(1) Notify the employee of such change as soon as possible, either
verbally or in writing, and prior to the effective date of such new quota;
and

(2) Provide the employee with a written description of the new quota
to which such employee is subject to not later than two business days
after the change is made.

(c) Any written description required pursuant to this section shall be
provided directly to an employee by a manager during such employee's
work hours.

64 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) On and after July 1, 2026, no 65 quota shall:

66 (1) Prevent compliance with the provisions of section 31-51ii of the67 general statutes concerning meal periods;

(2) Interfere with an employee's use of the bathroom facilities,including reasonable travel time to and from the bathroom facilities;

(3) Set a performance standard that measures an employee's total
output over an increment of time that is shorter than such employee's
work day; or

73 (4) Set a performance standard that is based solely on ranking the

performance of an employee in relation to the performance of otheremployees.

Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) On and after July 1, 2026, no employer shall take any adverse action against an employee for failing to satisfy a quota that violates the provisions of section 3 of this act or has not previously been provided to the employee pursuant to section 2 of this act.

81 Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) On and after July 1, 2026, each 82 employer shall establish, maintain and preserve contemporaneous, true 83 and accurate records of (1) each individual employee's work speed data, 84 (2) the aggregated work speed data for similar employees at the same 85 warehouse distribution center, and (3) the written descriptions 86 provided to each employee pursuant to section 2 of this act. Such 87 records shall be maintained for a period of three years. Nothing in this 88 section shall require an employer to establish, maintain and preserve the 89 records required pursuant to this section if such employer does not 90 assign or require quotas or collect, store, analyze or interpret work 91 speed data.

92 Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) On and after July 1, 2026, 93 if an employee believes satisfying a quota caused or will cause a 94 violation of section 3 of this act, such employee may request from such 95 employee's employer: (1) A written description of each quota the 96 employee is subject to, (2) a copy of the employee's personal work speed 97 data for the prior ninety days, and (3) a copy of aggregated work speed 98 data for similar employees at the same warehouse distribution center 99 for the prior ninety days.

(b) On and after July 1, 2026, a former employee may request from a
former employer: (1) A written description of each quota the employee
was subject to for the ninety days prior to the employee's separation
from employment with such employer; (2) a copy of the employee's
personal work speed data for the ninety days prior to such employee's
separation from employment with such employer; and (3) a copy of

aggregated work speed data for similar employees at the same
warehouse distribution center for the ninety days prior to such
employee's separation from employment with such employer. A former
employee may only make one request under this section.

(c) An employer shall provide a written copy of any records
requested pursuant to this section not later than five calendar days after
receipt of such request. Such written copy shall be provided (1) in both
English and the primary language of the employee requesting such
records, and (2) for a current employee, directly to the requesting
employee by a manager during such employee's work hours.

Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) On and after July 1, 2026, no employer shall discharge or in any way retaliate, discriminate or take any adverse action against an employee or former employee for (1) making a request pursuant to section 6 of this act, or (2) filing a civil action pursuant to section 8 of this act.

121 (b) On and after July 1, 2026, if an employer discharges or in any way 122 retaliates, discriminates or takes any adverse action against an employee 123 or former employee within ninety days after such employee engages in 124 or attempts to engage in the activities described in subsection (a) of this 125 section, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that such adverse action 126 is in violation of this section. Such presumption may be rebutted by clear 127 and convincing evidence that (1) the adverse action was taken for other 128 permissible reasons, and (2) the employee engaging or attempting to 129 engage in the activities described in subsection (a) of this section was 130 not a motivating factor for the employer taking such adverse action.

Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) (a) On and after July 1, 2026, an employee aggrieved by a violation of sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, or the Attorney General on behalf of an employee aggrieved by a violation of sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act, may bring a civil action in the Superior Court to recover damages, civil penalties and such equitable and injunctive relief as the court deems appropriate. The prevailing party in such civil action may be awarded reasonable 138 attorney's fees and costs to be taxed by the court.

(b) An employer who violates the provisions of sections 2 to 7,
inclusive, of this act, may be assessed a civil penalty by the court of (1)
one thousand dollars for a first violation, (2) two thousand dollars for a
second violation, or (3) three thousand dollars for a third or subsequent
violation.

144 Sec. 9. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) On and after July 1, 2026, the 145 Workers' Compensation Commission shall monitor the injury rates of 146 employees working in warehouse distribution centers in the state. If an 147 employer is found to have an annual injury rate at or over one and one-148 half times the average annual injury rate for the relevant North 149 American Industry Classification System codes, based on data reported 150 to the federal Occupational and Safety and Health Administration, the 151 Commission Workers' Compensation shall notify the Labor 152 Commissioner and the commissioner shall determine whether an 153 investigation concerning potential violations of sections 2 to 7, inclusive, 154 of this act is appropriate.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 2	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 3	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 4	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 5	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 6	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 7	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 8	October 1, 2025	New section
Sec. 9	October 1, 2025	New section

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