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LEGISLATIVE BILL 217

Introduced by Pansing Brooks, 28.

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Committee: Business and Labor

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection
- 2 Act; to amend section 48-1228, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 3 Supplement, 2018; to prohibit retaliation against employees for
- 4 communicating about wages as prescribed; to harmonize provisions;
- 5 and to repeal the original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 48-1228, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 2 2018, is amended to read:
- 3 48-1228 Sections 48-1228 to 48-1234 and section 2 of this act shall
- 4 be known and may be cited as the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection
- 5 Act.
- 6 Sec. 2. (1) An employer shall not discharge or in any other manner
- 7 retaliate against any employee because such employee inquired about,
- 8 discussed, or disclosed comparative compensation information for the
- 9 purpose of determining whether the employer is compensating any employee
- in a manner that provides equal pay for equal work.
- 11 (2) This section shall not apply to instances in which an employee
- 12 who has authorized access to the wage information of other employees as a
- 13 part of such employee's job functions discloses the wages of such other
- 14 employees to an individual who does not otherwise have authorized access
- 15 to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a charge or
- 16 complaint or in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or
- 17 other action, including an investigation conducted by the employer.
- 18 Sec. 3. Original section 48-1228, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 19 Supplement, 2018, is repealed.