IC 27-16-2

Chapter 2. Definitions

IC 27-16-2-1

Application of definitions

Sec. 1. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this article. *As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.*

IC 27-16-2-2

"Administrative fee"

- Sec. 2. (a) "Administrative fee" means the fee charged to a client by a professional employer organization for professional employer services.
- (b) The term does not include any amount charged to a client by a professional employer organization for wages and salaries, benefits, worker's compensation, payroll taxes, withholding, or other assessments paid by a professional employer organization to or on behalf of a covered employee.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-3

"Client"

Sec. 3. "Client" means a person that enters into a professional employer agreement with a professional employer organization. *As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.*

IC 27-16-2-4

"Co-employed"

Sec. 4. "Co-employed" means that an individual is contemporaneously employed by both a client and a professional employer organization.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-5

"Co-employer"

Sec. 5. "Co-employer" refers to a client or a professional employer organization that has entered into a professional employer agreement and has a relationship with a co-employed individual.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-6

"Co-employment relationship"

Sec. 6. "Co-employment relationship" means a relationship:

- (1) between a:
 - (A) client and a professional employer organization; or
 - (B) co-employer and a covered employee; and
- (2) that results from the client and the professional employer organization entering into a professional employer agreement. *As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.*

IC 27-16-2-7

"Commissioner"

Sec. 7. "Commissioner" refers to the insurance commissioner appointed under IC 27-1-1-2.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-8

"Covered employee"

- Sec. 8. (a) "Covered employee" means an individual who is co-employed.
- (b) The term includes an individual who is an officer, a director, a shareholder, a partner, or a manager of a client to the extent the professional employer organization and the client expressly agree that the individual:
 - (1) is described in subsection (a); and
 - (2) acts as an operational manager or performs day to day operational services for the client;

as reflected in the professional employer agreement.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-9

"Department"

Sec. 9. "Department" refers to the department of insurance created by IC 27-1-1-1.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-10

"PEO group"

Sec. 10. "PEO group" means two (2) or more professional employer organizations that are majority owned or commonly controlled by the same entity, parent, or controlling person. *As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.*

IC 27-16-2-11

"Person"

Sec. 11. "Person" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, a limited liability company, an association, or another legally recognized entity.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-12

"Professional employer agreement"

- Sec. 12. "Professional employer agreement" means a written contract between a person and a professional employer organization:
 - (1) under which all or a majority of the person's employees become covered employees;
 - (2) that provides for the allocation of employer rights and obligations between the person and the professional employer organization with respect to the covered employees; and
 - (3) that specifies the professional employer services that will be

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-13

"Professional employer organization" or "PEO"

Sec. 13. (a) "Professional employer organization" or "PEO" means a person engaged in the business of providing professional employer services.

- (b) The term does not include the following:
 - (1) An arrangement through which a person:
 - (A) whose principal business activity is an activity other than entering into professional employer agreements; and
 - (B) that does not hold the person out as a professional employer organization;

shares employees with a commonly owned company within the meaning of Section 414(b) and 414(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

- (2) An independent contractor arrangement through which a person:
 - (A) assumes responsibility for a product produced or a service performed by the person or the person's agent; and
 - (B) retains and exercises primary direction and control over the work performed by an individual whose services are supplied under the independent contractor arrangement.
- (3) The provision of temporary help services. *As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.*

IC 27-16-2-14

"Professional employer services"

Sec. 14. "Professional employer services" means the services that are provided to a client by a professional employer organization under a professional employer agreement.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-15

"Temporary help service"

Sec. 15. "Temporary help service" means a service consisting of a person that:

- (1) recruits and hires the person's own employees, not including an officer, a manager, or a controlling person of a client to which the person's own employee is assigned by the person;
- (2) identifies organizations that need the services of employees described in subdivision (1);
- (3) assigns employees described in subdivision (1) to:
 - (A) perform work or services for organizations described in subdivision (2);
 - (B) support or supplement the workforces of organizations described in subdivision (2); or
 - (C) provide assistance in special work situations, including employee absences, skill shortages, seasonal workloads, and

special assignments or projects; and

(4) customarily attempts to reassign the employees described in subdivision (1) to other organizations when an assignment described in subdivision (3) is completed.

As added by P.L.245-2005, SEC.7.

IC 27-16-2-16

"Working capital"

Sec. 16. "Working capital" means the difference between a person's:

- (1) current assets; and
- (2) current liabilities;

determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

As added by P.L.11-2011, SEC.40.