

HR 2639

To amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to permit certain youth to perform certain work with wood products.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 27, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Labor and Employment

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 25, 2001)

Amends the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exempt from certain child labor restrictions the employment, inside or outside of businesses where machinery is used to process wood products, of individuals between ages 14 and 18 who are members of religious sects that do not permit formal education beyond the eighth grade.

Permits such youth employment if the individual: (1) is supervised by an adult relative or by an adult member of the same religious sect or division; (2) does not operate or assist in the operation of power-driven woodworking machines; (3) is protected from wood particles or other flying debris within the workplace by a barrier appropriate to such potential hazard or by maintaining a sufficient distance from machinery in operation; and (4) is required to use personal protective equipment to prevent exposure to excessive levels of noise and sawdust.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 27, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
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