OVERVIEW: Section 9F.19 of S.L. 2021-180 amends the statute (G.S. 126-5(c1)) outlining employees that are exempt from certain provisions of the State Human Resources Act. This section provides that the following employees of the Division of State Operated Healthcare Facilities, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), are exempt from the provisions contained in the State Human Resources Act, except Articles 6 and 7, if they are (i) healthcare professionals licensed under Chapter 90 or Chapter 90B, or (ii) engineers responsible for maintenance or building operations at one of the health care facilities operated by the DHHS Secretary.

This act became law November 18, 2021, and this section became effective 30 days after it became law.