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Sponsor Statement

HB 327 Evidence Rules: Union/Employee

This act provides privilege protection against being compelled to disclose, in any court, administrative board, or agency proceeding, any conversation between a union agent and a bargaining unit member regarding information that the union agent may have acquired in attending to his or her professional duties while acting in his or her representative capacity.

Without the expectation of confidentiality, the union member would be hesitant to be fully forthcoming with their union representative. This could severely impact a union representative's ability to properly advise and represent the employee, and to help address the problem.

This Act also provides exceptions to the privilege, such as being ordered by the court to disclose if there is information concerning the commission of a crime, or if the employee consents to disclosure.