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TAMPA ATTORNEY PENS ARTICLE ON WHAT GIG WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT FLORIDA'S NEW INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR LAW

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In a bylined article published in *Law360*, **Brett Owens** provides a detailed description of Florida's recently signed legislation that protects businesses that hire independent contractors during states of emergency. Specifically, he outlines what employers need to know about the law and how it protects employers from legal accusations that they have formed an improper employee-employer relationship.

In his article, Brett breaks down how the new law helps to increase workplace safety for the gig economy and independent contractors. He also explains how Florida's law could provide a road map for other states to adopt legislation to classify ride-share drivers as independent contractors. And finally, Brett suggests that over time, the federal government might mirror what Florida has done to develop a national standard for the gig economy.

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