

AN ACT

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To amend, on a temporary basis, the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act to temporarily extend the Additional Benefits Program for claimants who have exhausted all other sources of unemployment compensation benefits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Unemployment Compensation Additional Benefits Program Temporary Amendment Act of 2009”.

Sec. 2. Section 7(i) of the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act, approved August 28, 1935 (49 Stat. 956; D.C. Official Code § 51-107(i)), is amended as follows:

Note,  
§ 51-107

(a) Paragraph (1)(A) is amended to read as follows:

“(A) “Additional benefits period” means a period:

“(i) That begins after August 29, 2009; provided, that the total rate of unemployment in the District, as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor for the week proceeding August 29, 2009, meets or exceeds 6.5%; provided further, that there are no other federally funded or assisted benefit programs in effect in the District that provide benefits to claimants who have exhausted their regular benefits;

“(ii) That ends after January 16, 2010, or the first day of the week prior to January 16, 2010, in which any new federal program is in effect in the District that provides benefits to claimants who have exhausted all prior regular, extended, or federally funded benefits;

“(iii) In which no initial claim for additional benefits is accepted and no claim for additional benefits is established pursuant to this act, prior to any week commencing after August 29, 2009, or after January 16, 2010; and

“(iv) In which no claim is paid for any week commencing after January 16, 2010.”.

(b) The lead-in language to paragraph (2) is amended as follows:

(1) Strike the number “5” wherever it appears and insert the number “10” in its place.

(2) Strike the fourth sentence and insert the sentence “The Additional Benefits Program shall be financed by funds drawn from the Fund or such other funds as may be available to the Director, and benefits paid shall not be charged to the experience rating accounts of employers.” in its place.

**Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.**

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

**Sec. 4. Effective date.**

(a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

(b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.

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Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

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Mayor  
District of Columbia