

AN ACT

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 qualify the District for federal funding of extended unemployment compensation benefits.

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

Sec. 2. Section 7(g)(1) of the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act, approved August 28, 1935 (49 Stat. 949; D.C. Official Code § 51-107(g)(1)), is amended by adding new subparagraphs (K) and (L) to read as follows:

Note,
§ 51-107

“(K)(i) For weeks of unemployment commencing March 15, 2009, there is a state “on” indicator if:

“(I) The average rate of total unemployment (seasonally adjusted), as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor, for the period consisting of the 3 most recent months for which data for all states are published before the close of any such week equals or exceeds 6.5%; and

“(II) The average rate of total unemployment in the District (seasonally adjusted), as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor, for the 3 months referred to in sub-sub-subparagraph (I) of this sub-subparagraph equals or exceeds 110% of such average rate for either of the corresponding 3-month periods ending in the 2 preceding calendar years.

“(ii) There is a state “off” indicator pursuant to this subparagraph for weeks of unemployment commencing December 6, 2009, or such other week as the Congress may specify in any subsequent amendment to section 2005 of the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families Act of 2009, approved February 17, 2009 (Pub. L. No. 111-5; 123 Stat. 436).

“(L)(i) For weeks of unemployment commencing March 15, 2009, there is a state high unemployment period “on” indicator if the total unemployment insurance rate as established in subparagraph (K) of this paragraph equals or exceeds 8%.

“(ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (5)(A) of this

subsection, the total unemployment extended benefit amount payable to any individual pursuant to this subparagraph shall be the least of the following amounts:

“(I) Eighty percent of the total amount of regular benefits (including any applicable dependents’ allowance) that were payable to the individual under this act in the individual’s applicable benefit year;

“(II) Twenty times the individual’s weekly benefit amount (including any applicable dependents’ allowance) that was payable to the individual under this act for a week of total unemployment in the applicable benefit year; or

“(III) Forty-six times the individual’s weekly benefit amount (including any applicable dependents’ allowances) for a week of total unemployment in the applicable benefit year, reduced by the total amount of regular benefits that were paid (or deemed paid) to the individual under this act with respect to the benefit year.

“(iii) There is a state “off” indicator pursuant to this subparagraph for weeks of unemployment commencing December 6, 2009, or such other week as the Congress may specify in any subsequent amendment to section 2005 of the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families Act of 2009, approved February 17, 2009 (Pub. L. No. 111-5; 123 Stat. 436).”.

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.

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor
District of Columbia