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Factsheet for case **DK-2020-10/634**

## Increased access to unemployment benefits and sickness benefits

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| Country      | Denmark, applies nationwide   |
| Time period  | Temporary, 01 March 2020 - 09 June 2020   |
| Type         | Legislation or other statutory regulation                                       |
| Category     | Income support to workers and those laid off<br>– Income support for unemployed |
| Case created | 15 April 2020 (updated 23 April 2020)   |

### Background Information

Increased access to unemployment benefits and sickness benefits due to Covid-19: In order to mitigate the negative consequences that the spread of COVID-19 can have on unemployed and sick pay recipients, the government and all the parties of the Folketing agree to provide easier conditions for unemployed and sick pay recipients in the coming temporary period.

The legal references are "LOV nr 274 af 26/03/2020" and "LOV nr 275 af 26/03/2020".

### Content of measure

For unemployment benefit recipients apply: The period from March 1 to May 31 is not included in the unemployed seniority. It will be a condition that the members be a member of the a-box during the period.

For sickness benefit recipients apply: Persons who have received sickness benefit for more than 22 weeks during the period from March 9 to June 9, in the nine preceding calendar months, ie. when the reassessment date and cannot extend the payment of sickness benefit in accordance with the existing extension rules, the right to sickness benefit will be extended for three months.

Suspension of G-days: Employer's payment of unemployment benefit (G-days) to employees who are covered by a division of work or returned home is suspended.

## Use of measure

Unknown

## Actors, target groups and funding

| Actors              | Target groups | Funding        |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------|
| National government | unemployed    | National funds |

## Social partners

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| Role of social partners | No involvement |
| Form of involvement     | No involvement |

Unknown

## Sectors and occupations

This case is not sector-specific.

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## Sources

- 15 April 2020: LOV nr 275 af 26/03/2020 ([www.retsinformation.dk](http://www.retsinformation.dk))
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