## SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5763

A bill to amend 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, entitled "Michigan employment security act," by amending sections 3, 4, 4a, 10, 19, 20, 27, 29, 32, 44, 48, 54, and 54c (MCL 421.3, 421.4, 421.4a, 421.10, 421.19, 421.20, 421.27, 421.29, 421.32, 421.44, 421.48, 421.54, and 421.54c), section 4 as amended by 1996 PA 498, section 10 as amended by 1989 PA 224, section 19 as amended by 1996 PA 535, sections 20 and 54 as amended by 1994 PA 162, section 27 as amended by 1995 PA 181, section 29 as amended by 1995 PA 25, section 32 as amended by 1996 PA 503, section 44 as amended by 1996 PA 504, section 48 as amended by 1983 PA 164, and section 54c as amended by 1993 PA 277, and by adding sections 5b, 13l, and 32b; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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1 Sec. 3. (a) The Michigan employment security commission, hereinafter referred to as the commission, shall be composed of 5 2 3 members. The director of labor shall serve ex officio as a member without vote and without additional compensation. The 4 5 provisions of this section relating to appointment, term of 6 office, compensation, restrictions as to political affiliation, 7 representation of employer and employee interests, holding office 8 or committee membership in political party organizations, and 9 employment by any other commission, board, department or institu-10 tion of this state are not applicable to such ex officio member. 11 The members of the commission as now constituted shall continue 12 to serve in accordance with their present terms of office. 13 (b) A member shall be appointed by the governor each year by 14 and with the advice and consent of the senate for a term of 4 15 years and until the appointment and qualification of his 16 successor. Vacancies due to any reason other than expiration of 17 term shall be filled in the same manner as is provided for 18 appointment in the first instance for the unexpired term. If a 19 vacancy shall occur, by virtue of the expiration of the term of a member, such member shall continue in office until his successor 20 21 is appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. The commission shall annually elect a chairman from among its 22 23 members. Not more than 2 members of the commission shall be of the same political party. Two members of the commission shall 24 25 represent employer interests and 2 shall represent employee 26 interests. During his term, no member shall serve as an officer or committee member of any political party organization or be 27

House Bill No. 5763 as amended March 20, 2002 3 1 employed by any other commission, board, department or 2 institution of this state. The governor may remove any member for misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance in office, after 3 hearing. The commission shall adopt a suitable seal of which all 4 5 courts of the state shall take judicial notice. 6 (c) The per diem compensation of commission members and the 7 schedule for reimbursement of expenses shall be established annually by the legislature. Three voting members of the commission 8 9 shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The 10 commission shall prescribe its organization and methods of 11 procedure. (1) -(d) The -commission BUREAU OF WORKER'S AND UNEMPLOY-12 13 MENT COMPENSATION shall establish policies in conformity with 14 this act to -reduce DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING: 15 (A) REDUCE and prevent unemployment. -; to encourage 16 and assist in the adoption of practical 17 methods of vocational training, retraining, and vocational 18 guidance. ; to promote 19 (B) PROMOTE the reemployment of unemployed workers throughout -the- THIS state in every other way that may be feasible. -20 21 to carry (C) CARRY on and publish the results of investigations and 22 23 research studies. ; and shall investigate 24 (D) INVESTIGATE, recommend, advise, and assist in the estab-25 lishment and operation, by municipalities, counties, school districts, and the THIS state, of reserves for public works to be 26 27 used in times of business depression and unemployment.

- 1 (2) AS USED IN THIS ACT:
- 2 (A) "BUREAU", "COMMISSION", AND "UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY" MEAN
- 3 THE BUREAU OF WORKER'S AND UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CREATED IN
- 4 SECTION 5B.
- 5 (B) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUREAU OF WORKER'S
- 6 AND UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.
- 7 Sec. 4. (1) The <del>commission is authorized and empowered to</del>
- 8 BUREAU MAY promulgate rules and regulations that it determines
- 9 necessary, and which THAT are not inconsistent with this act,
- 10 to carry out this act.
- 11 (2) The commission BUREAU shall cause to be printed for
- 12 distribution to the public the text of this act, and all rules
- 13 and regulations of the -commission BUREAU, and shall make avail-
- 14 able to the public upon request statements of any and all
- 15 informal rules or criteria of decision, administrative policies,
- 16 or interpretations, and the like, which may be utilized by the
- 17 <u>commission</u> BUREAU or any of its agents or employees in any
- 18 manner.
- 19 (3) No rule or regulation shall be made or changed until
- 20 after public hearing, notice of which shall first be given not
- 21 less than 20 days before the hearing, by publication in at least
- 22 3 newspapers of general circulation in different parts of the
- 23 THIS state, 1 of which shall be in the upper peninsula UPPER
- 24 PENINSULA. Copies of proposed rules or regulations shall be fur-
- 25 nished by the -commission BUREAU upon application by any inter-
- 26 ested parties. Rules and regulations shall become effective in
- 27 accordance with the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act

- 1 No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to
- 2 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO

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- 3 24.328. Notice of the hearing accompanied by copies of the pro-
- 4 posed rule or regulation shall be given to members of the commis-
- 5 sion not less than 30 days before the hearing.
- 6 Sec. 4a. The commission BUREAU may acquire, purchase,
- 7 erect, or improve land or buildings, within funds available for
- 8 that purpose, as it <del>deems</del> CONSIDERS necessary for use as a
- 9 parking facility in Detroit for the state administrative office.
- 10 No land or buildings shall be acquired, purchased, erected, or
- 11 improved until the approval of the state administrative board is
- 12 obtained. Title to the land or buildings shall be in the name of
- 13 the THIS state.
- 14 SEC. 5B. (1) THE BUREAU OF WORKER'S AND UNEMPLOYMENT COM-
- 15 PENSATION IS CREATED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND INDUS-
- 16 TRY SERVICES.
- 17 (2) THE BUREAU SHALL BE HEADED BY A DIRECTOR WHO SHALL BE
- 18 APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.
- 19 (3) ALL OF THE AUTHORITY, POWERS, FUNCTIONS, DUTIES, AND
- 20 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY PROVIDED UNDER THIS
- 21 ACT ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE BUREAU AS PROVIDED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER
- **22** NO. 2002-1.
- 23 (4) ALL OF THE POWERS, FUNCTIONS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILI-
- 24 TIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY, DEFINED AS THE
- 25 DIRECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY IN EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1997-12,
- 26 PROVIDED UNDER THIS ACT ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE DIRECTOR AS
- 27 PROVIDED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2002-1.

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1 Sec. 10. (1) There is hereby created in the state DEPARTMENT OF treasury a special fund to be known and designated 2 3 as the administration fund (Michigan employment security act). Any balances in this THE ADMINISTRATION fund at the end of any 4 5 fiscal year of the THIS state shall be carried over as a part of the ADMINISTRATION fund and shall not revert to the general 6 7 fund of the THIS state. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3), all money deposited into the administration fund 8 under the provisions of this act shall be appropriated by the 9 legislature to the -commission
UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY to pay the 10 expenses of the administration of this act. 11 (2) The administration fund shall be credited with all money 12 13 appropriated to the fund by the legislature, all money received 14 from the United States of America or any agency thereof OF 15 THE UNITED STATES for such THAT purpose, and all money received 16 by the THIS state for the fund. All money in this THE ADMINISTRATION fund -which THAT is received from the federal 17 government or any agency thereof or which OF THE FEDERAL GOV-18 19 ERNMENT OR THAT is appropriated by this state for the purposes of this act, except money requisitioned from the account of this 20 21 state in the unemployment trust fund pursuant to a specific appropriation made by the legislature in accordance with section 22 23 903(c)(2) of TITLE IX OF the <del>federal</del> social security act, <del>as</del> amended, 42 U.S.C. 1103, and with section 17(f) of this act 24 25 17(3)(F), shall be expended solely for the purposes and in the amounts found necessary by the appropriate agency of the United 26

- ${f 1}$  States  ${f -of\ America}$  and the legislature for the proper and
- 2 efficient administration of this act.
- 3 (3) All money requisitioned from the account of this state
- 4 in the unemployment trust fund pursuant to a specific appropria-
- 5 tion made by the legislature in accordance with section 903(c)(2)
- 6 of TITLE IX OF the <del>federal</del> social security act, <del>as amended,</del>
- 7 42 U.S.C. 1103, and with section  $\frac{17(f)}{f}$  of this act 17(3)(F),
- 8 shall be deposited in the administration fund. Any -such money
- 9 -which THAT remains unexpended at the close of the 2-year period
- 10 beginning on the date of enactment of a specific appropriation
- 11 shall be immediately redeposited with the secretary of the trea-
- 12 sury of the United States of America to the credit of this
- 13 state's account in the unemployment trust fund; or any such
- 14 money which THAT for any reason cannot be expended or is not to
- 15 be expended for the purpose for which appropriated before the
- 16 close of this 2-year period shall be -so redeposited at the ear-
- 17 liest practicable date.
- 18 (4) If any money received after June 30, 1941, from the
- 19 appropriate agency of the United States -of America under title
- 20 3 III of the social security act, 42 U.S.C. 501 to 504, or any
- 21 unencumbered balances in the administration fund (Michigan
- 22 employment security act) as of that date, or any money granted
- 23 after that date to this state pursuant to the Wagner-Peyser act,
- 24 CHAPTER 49, 48 STAT. 113, or any money made available by this
- 25 state or its political subdivisions and matched by money granted
- 26 to this state pursuant to the Wagner-Peyser act, CHAPTER 49, 48
- 27 STAT. 113, is found by the appropriate agency of the United

- 1 States, because of any action or contingency, to have been lost
- 2 or been expended for purposes other than, or in amounts in excess
- 3 of, those found necessary by -such THAT agency of the United
- 4 States for the proper administration of this act, it is the
- 5 policy of this state that the money shall be replaced by money
- 6 appropriated for that purpose from the general funds of this
- 7 state to the administration fund (Michigan employment security
- 8 act) for expenditure as provided in this act. Upon receipt of
- 9 notice of such a finding by the appropriate agency of the United
- 10 States, the commission shall promptly report the amount required
- 11 for such replacement to the governor and the governor shall, at
- 12 the earliest opportunity, submit to the legislature a request for
- 13 the appropriation of that amount. This subsection shall not be
- 14 construed to relieve this state of its obligation with respect to
- 15 funds received prior to July 1, 1941, pursuant to the provisions
- 16 of title  $\frac{3}{}$  III of the social security act, 42 U.S.C. 501 to
- **17** 504.
- 18 (5) If any funds expended or disbursed by the commission are
- 19 so found by the appropriate agency of the United States to have
- 20 been lost or expended for purposes other than, or in amounts in
- 21 excess of, those found necessary by such THAT agency of the
- 22 United States for the proper administration of this act, and if
- 23 these funds are replaced as <del>aforesaid</del> PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION
- 24 (4) by money appropriated for -such- THAT purpose from the gen-
- 25 eral funds of the FUND OF THIS state, then those members of the
- 26 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY who voted for or otherwise
- 27 approved the expenditure or disbursement of -such THOSE funds

- 1 for such THOSE purposes or in such THOSE amounts, shall be
- 2 jointly and severally liable to the THIS state in an amount
- 3 equal to the sum of money appropriated to replace -such THOSE
- 4 funds. -; and the THE members of the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT
- 5 AGENCY shall be required by the governor to post a proper bond in
- 6 a sum not less than \$25,000.00 to cover their liability as pre-
- 7 scribed in this section, the cost of the bond to be paid from the
- 8 general fund of the THIS state. of Michigan.
- **9** (6) There is <del>hereby</del> created in the <del>state</del> DEPARTMENT OF
- 10 treasury a separate fund to be known as the contingent fund
- 11 (Michigan employment security act) into which shall be deposited
- 12 all solvency taxes collected under section 19a and all interest
- 13 on contributions, penalties, and damages collected under this
- 14 act. All EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (7) AND
- 15 (8), ALL amounts in the contingent fund (Michigan employment
- 16 security act) and all earnings on those amounts are hereby con-
- 17 tinuously appropriated without regard to fiscal year for the
- 18 administration of the <del>commission, for the purpose provided by</del>
- 19 subsection (7), UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY and for the payment of
- 20 interest on advances from the federal government to the unemploy-
- 21 ment compensation fund under section 1201 of TITLE XII OF the
- 22 social security act, 42 U.S.C. 1321, to be expended only when
- 23 IF authorized by the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY. Money
- 24 deposited from the solvency taxes collected pursuant to section
- 25 19a shall not be used for the administration of the commission
- 26 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY, except for the repayment of loans from the
- 27 state treasury and interest on <del>such</del> loans made under section

- 1 19a(3). However, an authorization or expenditure shall not be
- 2 made as a substitution for a grant of federal funds or for any
- 3 portion of such A grant or grants, which THAT, in the absence
- 4 of an authorization, would be available to the commission. —, and
- 5 that immediately IMMEDIATELY upon receipt of administrative
- 6 grants from the appropriate agency of the United States of
- 7 America to cover administrative costs for which the commission
- 8 has authorized and made expenditures from the contingent fund,
- 9 -such THOSE grants shall be transferred to the contingent fund
- 10 to the extent necessary to reimburse the contingent fund for the
- 11 amount of such THOSE expenditures. Amounts needed to refund
- 12 interest, damages, and penalties erroneously collected shall be
- 13 withdrawn and expended for such a purpose THOSE PURPOSES from
- 14 the contingent fund upon order of the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT
- 15 AGENCY. Any amount authorized to be expended for administration
- 16 pursuant to this section may be transferred to the administration
- 17 fund. An amount not needed for the purpose for which authorized
- 18 shall, upon order of the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY, be
- 19 returned to the contingent fund. Amounts needed to refund erro-
- 20 neously collected solvency taxes shall be withdrawn and expended
- 21 for that purpose upon order of the commission UNEMPLOYMENT
- **22** AGENCY.
- 23 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,
- 24 \$21,000,000.00 shall be paid on a pro rata basis to employers who
- 25 paid the solvency tax for 1983, 1984, or 1985. The commission
- 26 shall make a good faith effort to locate each employer eligible
- 27 for receipt of a payment under this subsection. The payment

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    shall be made to these employers, within 6 months after the
    effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection,
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    from the solvency tax account and the penalty and interest
    account in the contingent fund. Any funds from the penalty and
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    interest account of the contingent fund that are not needed to
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    make the payments required by this subsection shall be returned
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    from the solvency tax account to the penalty and interest account
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    of the contingent fund after the good faith effort required by
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    this subsection has been made. For purposes of this subsection,
    the total solvency tax paid by employers and received by the com-
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    mission for 1983, 1984, and 1985, as of a date determined by the
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    commission which is not later than March 31, 1990, shall provide
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    the basis for proration of the payments. The commission shall
    give public notice of that date at least 30 days before that
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    date. The payment to each employer may not exceed the amount
    actually paid by the employer for 1983, 1984, and 1985. If an
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    employer has unpaid contributions, solvency taxes, or interest or
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    penalties on such contributions or solvency taxes on such date
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    determined by the commission that exceed the amount of the sol-
    vency tax payment, the check issued by the commission shall be
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    made out jointly to the employer and the commission. Payments
    authorized to be made under this subsection shall not be made
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    until the advocacy assistance program provided by section 5a has
    been approved by the commission.
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         (7) ON JUNE 30, 2002, THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY SHALL AUTHO-
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    RIZE THE WITHDRAWAL OF $79,500,000.00 FROM THE CONTINGENT FUND
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1 (MICHIGAN EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACT) FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE GENERAL

- 2 FUND.
- 3 (8) AT THE CLOSE OF THE STATE FISCAL YEAR IN 2002 AND EACH
- 4 YEAR AFTER 2002, ALL FUNDS IN THE CONTINGENT FUND (MICHIGAN
- 5 EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACT) IN EXCESS OF \$15,000,000.00 SHALL LAPSE
- 6 TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND.
- 7 SEC. 13l. (1) AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT LIABLE AS AN
- 8 EMPLOYER UNDER SECTION 41 SHALL PAY REIMBURSEMENTS IN LIEU OF
- 9 CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS ALL OTHER
- 10 REIMBURSING EMPLOYERS LIABLE UNDER SECTION 41, UNLESS THE INDIAN
- 11 TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT ELECTS TO PAY CONTRIBUTIONS.
- 12 (2) AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT THAT ELECTS TO MAKE CON-
- 13 TRIBUTIONS SHALL FILE WITH THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY A WRITTEN
- 14 REQUEST FOR THAT ELECTION BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR
- 15 IN WHICH THE ELECTION WILL BE EFFECTIVE OR WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE
- 16 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION.
- 17 THE INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT SHALL DETERMINE IF THE ELECTION
- 18 TO PAY CONTRIBUTIONS WILL APPLY TO THE TRIBE AS A WHOLE, WILL
- 19 APPLY ONLY TO INDIVIDUAL TRIBAL UNITS, OR WILL APPLY TO STATED
- 20 COMBINATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL TRIBAL UNITS.
- 21 (3) AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT PAYING REIMBURSEMENTS IN
- 22 LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE BILLED FOR THE FULL AMOUNT OF BEN-
- 23 EFITS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SERVICE IN THE EMPLOY OF THE INDIAN TRIBE
- 24 OR TRIBAL UNIT. AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT SHALL REIMBURSE
- 25 THE FUND ANNUALLY WITHIN 30 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE MAILING OF
- 26 THE FINAL BILLING FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.

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1	(4) IF AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT FAILS TO MAKE PAYMENTS
2	IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING ASSESSMENTS OF INTEREST AND
3	PENALTIES, WITHIN 90 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE MAILING OF THE
4	NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY, THE INDIAN TRIBE WILL LOSE THE ABILITY TO
5	MAKE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS IMMEDIATELY UNLESS THE
6	PAYMENT IN FULL OR COLLECTION ON THE SECURITY IS RECEIVED BY THE
7	UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY BY DECEMBER 1 OF THAT CALENDAR YEAR. AN
8	INDIAN TRIBE THAT LOSES THE ABILITY TO MAKE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF
9	CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE MADE A CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYER AND SHALL NOT
10	HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS UNTIL
11	ALL CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS, INTEREST,
12	OR PENALTIES HAVE BEEN PAID. THE ABILITY TO MAKE PAYMENTS IN
13	LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE REINSTATED EFFECTIVE THE JANUARY 1
14	IMMEDIATELY SUCCEEDING THE YEAR IN WHICH THE INDIAN TRIBE HAS
15	PAID IN FULL ALL CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBU-
16	TIONS, INTEREST, AND PENALTIES. IF AN INDIAN TRIBE FAILS TO PAY
17	IN FULL ALL CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS,
18	INTEREST, AND PENALTIES WITHIN 90 CALENDAR DAYS OF A NOTICE OF
19	DELINQUENCY, THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE
20	UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERV-
21	ICE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY OF THAT
22	DELINQUENCY. IF THAT DELINQUENCY IS SATISFIED, THE UNEMPLOYMENT
23	AGENCY SHALL IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
24	LABOR AND THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES
25	DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY THAT ALL CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYMENTS IN LIEU

OF CONTRIBUTIONS, INTEREST, AND PENALTIES HAVE BEEN PAID.

- 1 (5) A NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY TO AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL
- 2 UNIT SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION THAT FAILURE TO MAKE FULL PAYMENT
- 3 WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE DATE OF MAILING OF THE NOTICE OF DELIN-
- 4 QUENCY WILL RESULT IN THE INDIAN TRIBE LOSING THE ABILITY TO MAKE
- 5 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS UNTIL THE DELINQUENCY AND ALL
- 6 CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS, INTEREST, AND
- 7 PENALTIES HAVE BEEN PAID IN FULL.
- 8 (6) ANY INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT THAT MAKES REIMBURSEMENT
- 9 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO POST A
- 10 SECURITY, SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- 11 (A) A REIMBURSING TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT MUST EITHER POST THE
- 12 SECURITY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY
- 13 ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION OR BY NOVEMBER 30 OF THE YEAR BEFORE
- 14 THE YEAR FOR WHICH THE SECURITY IS REQUIRED.
- 15 (B) THE SECURITY SHALL BE IN THE FORM OF A SURETY BOND,
- 16 IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT, OR OTHER BANKING DEVICE THAT IS
- 17 ACCEPTABLE TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY AND THAT PROVIDES FOR PAY-
- 18 MENT TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY, ON DEMAND, OF AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO
- 19 THE SECURITY THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE POSTED. THE REQUIRED SECUR-
- 20 ITY MAY BE POSTED BY A THIRD-PARTY GUARANTOR.
- 21 (C) THE REQUIREMENT FOR A SECURITY DOES NOT APPLY TO AN
- 22 INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT THAT IS EXPECTED TO HAVE LESS THAN
- 23 \$100,000.00 PER CALENDAR YEAR IN TOTAL WAGE PAYMENTS, AS DETER-
- 24 MINED BY THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY. AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT
- 25 IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE SECURITY IF THE PAYMENT OF GROSS WAGES IN
- 26 A CALENDAR YEAR IS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN \$100,000.00. THE
- 27 EMPLOYER SHALL NOTIFY THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM

- 1 THE DATE ITS PAYROLL EQUALS OR EXCEEDS \$100,000.00. THE SECURITY
- 2 SHALL BE POSTED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF NOTICE BY THE UNEMPLOYMENT
- 3 AGENCY OF A REQUIREMENT TO POST A SECURITY.
- 4 (D) THE AMOUNT OF THE SECURITY REQUIRED IS 4.0% OF THE
- 5 EMPLOYER'S ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL WAGE PAYMENTS, AS DETERMINED BY
- 6 THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY. INDIAN TRIBES OR TRIBAL UNITS THAT HAVE
- 7 A PREVIOUS WAGE PAYMENT HISTORY SHALL BE REQUIRED TO FILE A
- 8 SECURITY THAT IS EQUAL TO 4.0% OF THE GROSS WAGES PAID FOR THE
- 9 12-MONTH PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE YEAR IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING
- 10 THE YEAR FOR WHICH THE SECURITY IS REQUIRED OR 4.0% OF THE
- 11 EMPLOYER'S ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL WAGES, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 12 (7) ANY INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT THAT IS LIABLE FOR REIM-
- 13 BURSEMENTS IN LIEU OF CONTRIBUTIONS MAY FORM A GROUP ACCOUNT WITH
- 14 ANOTHER TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT, IN THE SAME MANNER AND WITH THE
- 15 SAME RESTRICTIONS PROVIDED IN SECTION 13E(3).
- 16 (8) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 41(1), AFTER DECEMBER 20, 2000,
- 17 "EMPLOYER" INCLUDES AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT FOR WHICH
- 18 SERVICES ARE PERFORMED IN EMPLOYMENT AS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION
- **19** (9).
- 20 (9) AFTER DECEMBER 20, 2000, "EMPLOYMENT" INCLUDES SERVICE
- 21 PERFORMED IN THE EMPLOY OF AN INDIAN TRIBE OR TRIBAL UNIT, IF THE
- 22 SERVICE IS EXCLUDED FROM EMPLOYMENT AS THAT TERM IS DEFINED IN
- 23 THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT TAX ACT, CHAPTER 23 OF SUBTITLE C OF THE
- 24 INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3301 TO 3311, SOLELY BY
- 25 REASON OF SECTION 3306(c)(7) OF THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT TAX ACT,
- 26 CHAPTER 23 OF SUBTITLE C OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986,

- 1 AND IS NOT OTHERWISE EXCLUDED FROM THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYMENT
- 2 UNDER SECTION 43.
- 3 (10) AS USED IN THIS ACT:
- 4 (A) "INDIAN TRIBE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION
- 5 3306(u) OF THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT TAX ACT, CHAPTER 23 OF SUBTI-
- 6 TLE C OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3306.
- 7 (B) "TRIBAL UNIT" INCLUDES ANY SUBDIVISION, SUBSIDIARY, OR
- 8 BUSINESS ENTERPRISE, WHOLLY OWNED BY AN INDIAN TRIBE.
- 9 Sec. 19. (a) The commission shall determine the contribution
- 10 rate of each contributing employer for each calendar year after
- **11** 1977 as follows:
- 12 (1) (i) Except as provided in paragraph (ii), an employer's
- 13 rate shall be calculated as described in table A with respect to
- 14 wages paid by the employer in each calendar year for employment.
- 15 If an employer's coverage is terminated under section 24, or at
- 16 the conclusion of 8 or more consecutive calendar quarters during
- 17 which the employer has not had workers in covered employment, and
- 18 if the employer becomes liable for contributions, the employer
- 19 shall be considered as newly liable for contributions for the
- 20 purposes of table A or table B of this subsection.
- 21 (ii) To provide against the high risk of net loss to the
- 22 fund in such cases, an employing unit which THAT becomes newly
- 23 liable for contributions under this act in a calendar year begin-
- 24 ning on or after January 1, 1983 in which it employs in
- 25 "employment", not necessarily simultaneously but in any 1 week 2
- 26 or more individuals in the performance of 1 or more contracts or
- 27 subcontracts for construction in the state of roads, bridges,

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1	highways, sewers, water mains, utilities, public buildings,
2	factories, housing developments, or similar construction
3	projects, shall be liable for contributions to that employer's
4	account under this act for the first 4 years of operations in
5	this state at a rate equal to the average rate paid by employers
6	engaged in the construction business as determined by contractor
7	type in the manner provided in table B.
8	$\left(iii ight)$ For the calendar years 1983 and 1984, the contribution
9	rate of a construction employer shall not exceed its 1982 contri-
10	bution rate with respect to wages, paid by that employer, related
11	to the execution of a fixed price construction contract -which-
12	THAT was entered into prior to January 1, 1983. Furthermore,
13	such THAT contribution rate shall be reduced, by the solvency
14	tax rate assessed against the employer under section 19a, for the
15	year in which <del>such</del> THE solvency tax rate is applicable.
16	Furthermore, notwithstanding section 44, the taxable wage limit,
17	for calendar years 1983 and 1984, with respect to wages paid
18	under <del>such</del> A fixed price contract, shall be the maximum amount
19	of remuneration paid within a calendar year by an employer
20	subject to the federal unemployment tax act, CHAPTER 23 OF SUBTI-
21	TLE C OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3301 to
22	3311, to an individual with respect to employment as defined in

**24** year.

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that act which is subject to tax under that act during that

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2 3 4 5 6	Year of Contribution Liability	Contribution Rate
6 7	1	2.7%
8	2	2.7%
9	3	1/3 (chargeable benefits component)
10		+ 1.8%
11	4	2/3 (chargeable benefits component)
12		+ 1.0%
13	5 and over	(chargeable benefits component) +
14		(account building component) +
15		(nonchargeable benefits component)
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17		Table B
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19 20 21 22	Year of Contribution Liability	Contribution Rate
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 31 32 33 34 35 37 38	1 2 3 4 5 and over	average construction contractor rate as determined by the commission average construction contractor rate as determined by the commission 1/3 (chargeable benefits component) + 2/3 average construction contractor rate as determined by the commission 2/3 (chargeable benefits component) + 1/3 average construction contractor rate as determined by the commission (chargeable benefits component) + (account building component) + (account building component)
39	(2) With the exception	of employers who are in the first 4
40	consecutive years of liabil	ity, each employer's contribution rate

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- 1 for each calendar year after 1977 shall be the sum of the
- 2 following components, all of which are determined as of the com-
- 3 putation date: a chargeable benefits component determined under
- 4 subdivision (3), an account building component determined under
- 5 subdivision (4), and a nonchargeable benefits component deter-
- 6 mined under subdivision (5). Each employer's contribution rate
- 7 for calendar years before 1978 shall be determined by the provi-
- 8 sions of this act in effect during the years in question.
- 9 (3) (i) The chargeable benefits component of an employer's
- 10 contribution rate is the percentage determined by dividing: the
- 11 total amount of benefits charged to the employer's experience
- 12 account within the lesser of 60 consecutive months ending on the
- 13 computation date or the number of consecutive months ending on
- 14 the computation date with respect to which the employer has been
- 15 continuously liable for contributions; by the amount of wages,
- 16 subject to contributions, paid by the employer within the same
- 17 period. If the resulting quotient is not an exact multiple of
- 18 1/10 of 1%, it shall be increased to the next higher multiple of
- **19** 1/10 of 1%.
- (ii) For benefit years established before the conversion
- 21 date prescribed in section 75, the chargeable benefits component
- 22 shall not exceed 6.0%, unless there is a statutory change in the
- 23 maximum duration of regular benefit payments or the statutory
- 24 ratio of regular benefit payments to credit weeks. In the event
- 25 of a change in the maximum duration of regular benefit payments,
- 26 the maximum chargeable benefits component shall increase by the
- 27 same percentage as the statutory percentage change in the

1 duration of regular benefit payments between computation dates. In the event of an increase in the statutory ratio of regular 2 benefit payments to credit weeks, as described in section 27(d), 3 the maximum chargeable benefits component determined as of the 4 5 computation dates occurring after the effective date of the increased ratio shall increase by 1/2 the same percentage as the 6 increase in the ratio of regular benefit payments to credit 7 weeks. If the resulting increase is not already an exact multi-8 ple of 1/10 of 1%, it shall be adjusted to the next higher multi-9 ple of 1/10 of 1%. For benefit years established after the con-10 11 version date prescribed in section 75, the chargeable benefits component shall not exceed 6.0%, unless there is a statutory 12 change in the maximum duration of regular benefit payments or the 13 14 percentage factor of base period wages, which defines maximum 15 duration, as provided in section 27(d). If there is a statutory 16 change in the maximum duration of regular benefit payments, the maximum chargeable benefits component shall increase by the same 17 18 percentage as the statutory percentage change in the duration of regular benefit payments between computation dates. If there is 19 an increase in the statutory percentage factor of base period 20 21 wages, as described in section 27(d), the maximum chargeable benefits component determined as of the computation dates occurring 22 23 after the effective date of the increased ratio shall increase by 1/2 the same percentage as the increase in the percentage factor 24 25 of base period wages. If the resulting increase is not already

an exact multiple of 1/10 of 1%, it shall be adjusted to the next

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higher multiple of 1/10 of 1%.

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         (4) The account building component of an employer's
    contribution rate is the percentage arrived at by the following
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    calculations: (i) Multiply the amount of the employer's total
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    payroll for the 12 months ending on the computation date, by the
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    cost criterion; (ii) Subtract the amount of the balance in the
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    employer's experience account as of the computation date from the
    product determined under (i); and (iii) if the remainder is zero
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    or a negative quantity, the account building component of the
    employer's contribution rate shall be zero; but (iv) if the
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    remainder is a positive quantity, the account building component
    of the employer's contribution rate shall be determined by divid-
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    ing that remainder by the employer's total payroll paid within
    the 12 months ending on the computation date. The account build-
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    ing component shall not exceed the lesser of 1/4 of the percen-
    tage thus calculated or 2%. However, except as otherwise pro-
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    vided in this subdivision, the account building component shall
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    not exceed the lesser of 1/2 of the percentage thus calculated
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    or 3%, if on the June 30 of the preceding calendar year the bal-
    ance in the unemployment compensation fund was less than 50% of
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    an amount equal to the aggregate of all contributing employers'
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    annual payrolls, for the 12 months ending March 31, times the
    cost criterion. For calendar years after 1993 and before 1996,
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    the account building component shall not exceed the lesser of .69
    of the percentage calculated, or 3%, if on the June 30 of the
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    preceding calendar year the balance in the unemployment compensa-
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    tion fund was less than 50% of an amount equal to the aggregate
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    of all contributing employers' annual payrolls, for the 12 months
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- 1 ending March 31, as defined in section 18(f), times the cost
- 2 criterion; selected for the computation date under
- 3 section 18(e). If the account building component determined
- 4 under this subdivision is not an exact multiple of 1/10 of 1%, it
- 5 shall be adjusted to the next higher multiple of 1/10 of 1%.
- 6 (5) The nonchargeable benefits component of employers' con-
- 7 tribution rates is the percentage arrived at by the following
- 8 calculations: (i) multiply the aggregate amount of all contrib-
- 9 uting employers' annual payrolls, for the 12 months ending March
- 10 31, as defined in section 18(f), by the cost criterion selected
- 11 for the computation date under section 18(e); (ii) subtract the
- 12 balance of the unemployment fund on the computation date, net of
- 13 federal advances, from the product determined under (i); and
- 14 (iii) if the remainder is zero or a negative quantity, the non-
- 15 chargeable benefits component of employers' contribution rates
- 16 shall be zero; but (iv) if the remainder is a positive quantity,
- 17 the nonchargeable benefits component of employers' contribution
- 18 rates shall be determined by dividing that remainder by the total
- 19 of wages subject to contributions under this act paid by all con-
- 20 tributing employers within the 12 months ending on March 31 and
- 21 adjusting the quotient, if not an exact multiple of 1/10 of 1%,
- 22 to the next higher multiple of 1/10 of 1%. The maximum non-
- 23 chargeable benefits component shall be 1%. However, for calendar
- 24 years after 1993, if there are no benefit charges against an
- 25 employer's account for the 60 months ending as of the computation
- 26 date, or for calendar years after 1995, if the employer's
- 27 chargeable benefits component is less than 2/10 of 1%, the

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- 1 maximum nonchargeable benefit component shall not exceed 1/2 of
- 2 1%. For calendar years after 1995, if there are no benefit
- 3 charges against an employer's account for the 72 months ending as
- 4 of the computation date, the maximum nonchargeable benefits com-
- 5 ponent shall not exceed 4/10 of 1%. For calendar years after
- 6 1996, if there are no benefit charges against an employer's
- 7 account for the 84 months ending as of the computation date, the
- 8 maximum nonchargeable benefits component shall not exceed 3/10 of
- 9 1%. For calendar years after 1997, if there are no benefit
- 10 charges against an employer's account for the 96 months ending as
- 11 of the computation date, the maximum nonchargeable benefits com-
- 12 ponent shall not exceed 2/10 of 1%. For calendar years after
- 13 1998, if there are no benefit charges against an employer's
- 14 account for the 108 months ending as of the computation date, the
- 15 maximum nonchargeable benefits component shall not exceed 1/10 of
- 16 1%. FOR CALENDAR YEARS AFTER 2002, THE MAXIMUM NONCHARGEABLE
- 17 BENEFITS COMPONENT SHALL NOT EXCEED 1/10 OF 1% IF THERE ARE NO
- 18 BENEFIT CHARGES AGAINST AN EMPLOYER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE 60 MONTHS
- 19 ENDING AS OF THE COMPUTATION DATE; 9/100 OF 1% IF THERE ARE NO
- 20 BENEFIT CHARGES AGAINST AN EMPLOYER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE 72 MONTHS
- 21 ENDING AS OF THE COMPUTATION DATE; 8/100 OF 1% IF THERE ARE NO
- 22 BENEFIT CHARGES AGAINST AN EMPLOYER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE 84 MONTHS
- 23 ENDING AS OF THE COMPUTATION DATE; 7/100 OF 1% IF THERE ARE NO
- 24 BENEFIT CHARGES AGAINST AN EMPLOYER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE 96 MONTHS
- 25 ENDING AS OF THE COMPUTATION DATE; OR 6/100 OF 1% IF THERE ARE NO
- 26 BENEFIT CHARGES AGAINST AN EMPLOYER'S ACCOUNT FOR THE 108 MONTHS
- 27 ENDING AS OF THE COMPUTATION DATE. FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING A NONCHARGEABLE BENEFITS COMPONENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. AN EMPLOYER ACCOUNT SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE HAD A CHARGE IF CLAIM FOR BENEFITS IS DENIED OR DETERMINED TO BE FRAUDULENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 54 OR 54C. An employer with a positive

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1 balance in its experience account on the June 30 computation date

- 2 preceding the calendar year shall receive for that calendar year
- 3 a credit in an amount equal to 1/2 of the extra federal unemploy-
- 4 ment tax paid in the preceding calendar year under section
- 5 3302(c)(2) of the federal unemployment tax act, 26 U.S.C.
- $6 \frac{3302(c)(2)}{3302}$  3302, because of an outstanding balance of unrepaid
- 7 advances from the federal government to the unemployment compen-
- 8 sation fund under section 1201 of TITLE XII OF the social secur-
- 9 ity act, 42 U.S.C. 1321. However, the credit for any calendar
- 10 year shall not exceed an amount determined by multiplying the
- 11 employer's nonchargeable benefit component for that calendar year
- 12 times the employer's taxable payroll for that year.
- 13 Contributions paid by an employer shall be credited to the
- 14 employer's experience account, in accordance with the provisions
- 15 of section 17(5), without regard to any credit given under this
- 16 subsection. The amount credited to an employer's experience
- 17 account shall be the amount of the employer's tax before deduc-
- 18 tion of the credit provided in this subsection.
- 19 (6) The total of the chargeable benefits and account build-
- 20 ing components of an employer's contribution rate shall not
- 21 exceed by more than 1% in the 1983 calendar year, 1.5% in the
- 22 calendar year 1984, or 2% in the 1985 calendar year the higher of
- 23 4% or the total of the chargeable benefits and the account build-
- 24 ing components -which THAT applied to the employer during the
- 25 preceding calendar year. For calendar years after 1985, the
- 26 total of the chargeable benefits and account building components
- 27 of the employer's contribution rate shall be computed without

1 regard to the foregoing limitation provided in this subdivision.

- 2 During a year in which this subdivision limits an employer's con-
- 3 tribution rate, the resulting reduction shall be considered to be
- 4 entirely in the experience component of the employer's contribu-
- 5 tion rate, as defined in section 18(d).
- 6 (7) Unless an employer's contribution rate is 1/10 of 1% for
- 7 calendar years beginning after December 31, 1995, the employer's
- 8 contribution rate shall be reduced by any of the following calcu-
- 9 lation methods that results in the lowest rate:
- 10 (i) The chargeable benefits component, the account building
- 11 component, and the nonchargeable benefits component of the con-
- 12 tribution rate calculated under this section shall each be
- 13 reduced by 10% and if the resulting quotient is not an exact
- 14 multiple of 1/10 of 1%, that quotient shall be increased to the
- 15 next higher multiple of 1/10 of 1%. The 3 components as
- 16 increased shall then be added together.
- 17 (ii) One-tenth of 1% shall be deducted from the contribution
- **18** rate.
- 19 (iii) The contribution rate shall be reduced by 10% and if
- 20 the resulting quotient is not an exact multiple of 1/10 of 1%,
- 21 that quotient shall be increased to the next higher multiple of
- 22 1/10 of 1%.
- The contribution rate reduction described in this section
- 24 applies to employers who have been liable for the payment of con-
- 25 tributions in accordance with this act for more than 4 consecu-
- 26 tive years, if the balance of money in the unemployment
- 27 compensation fund established under section 26, excluding money

1 borrowed from the federal unemployment trust fund, is equal to or

- 2 greater than 1.2% of the aggregate amount of all contributing
- 3 employers' payrolls for the 12-month period ending on the compu-
- 4 tation date. If the employer's contribution rate is reduced by a
- 5 1/10 of 1% deduction in accordance with this subdivision, the
- 6 employer's contributions shall be credited to each of the compo-
- 7 nents of the contribution rate on a pro rata basis. As used in
- 8 this subdivision:
- 9 (i) "Federal unemployment trust fund" means the fund created
- 10 under section 904 of title IX of the social security act, 42
- **11** U.S.C. 1104.
- 12 (ii) "Payroll" means that term as defined in section 18(f).
- 13 (b) An employer previously liable for contributions under
- 14 this act which on or after January 1, 1978 filed a petition for
- 15 arrangement under the bankruptcy act of JULY 1, 1898, chapter
- 16 541, 30 Stat. 544, or on or after October 1, 1979 filed a peti-
- 17 tion for reorganization under title 11 of the United States
- 18 code, entitled bankruptcy, CODE, 11 U.S.C. 101 to 1330, pursu-
- 19 ant to which a plan of arrangement or reorganization for rehabil-
- 20 itation purposes has been confirmed by order of the United States
- 21 bankruptcy court, shall be considered as a reorganized employer
- 22 and shall have a reserve fund balance of zero as of the first
- 23 calendar year immediately following court confirmation of the
- 24 plan of arrangement or reorganization, but not earlier than the
- 25 calendar year beginning January 1, 1983, if the employer meets
- 26 each of the following requirements:

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1 (1) An employer whose plan of arrangement or reorganization2 has been confirmed as of January 1, 1983 shall, within 60 days

3 after January 1, 1983, notify the commission of its intention to

- 4 elect the status of a reorganized employer. An employer which
- 5 THAT has not had a plan of arrangement or reorganization con-
- 6 firmed as of January 1, 1983 shall, within 60 days after the
- 7 entry by the bankruptcy court of the order of confirmation of the
- 8 plan of arrangement or reorganization, notify the commission of
- 9 its intention to elect the status of a reorganized employer. An
- 10 employer shall not make an election under this subdivision after
- 11 December 31, 1985.
- 12 (2) The employer has paid to the commission all contribu-
- 13 tions previously owed by the employer pursuant to this act for
- 14 all calendar years prior to the calendar year as to which the
- 15 employer elects to begin its status as a reorganized employer.
- 16 (3) More than 50% of the employer's total payroll is paid
- 17 for services rendered in this state during the employer's fiscal
- 18 year immediately preceding the date the employer notifies the
- 19 fund administrator of its intention to elect the status of a
- 20 reorganized employer.
- 21 (4) The employer, within 180 days after notifying the com-
- 22 mission of its intention to elect the status of a reorganized
- 23 employer, makes a cash payment to the commission, for the unem-
- 24 ployment compensation fund, equal to: .20 times the first
- 25 \$2,000,000.00 of the employer's negative balance, .35 times the
- 26 amount of the employer's negative balance above \$2,000,000.00 and
- 27 up to \$5,000,000.00, and .50 times the amount of the negative

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- 1 balance above \$5,000,000.00. The total amount —so—determined by
- 2 the commission shall be based on the employer's negative balance
- 3 existing as of the end of the calendar month immediately preced-
- 4 ing the calendar year in which the employer will begin its status
- 5 as a reorganized employer. If the employer fails to pay the
- 6 amount determined, within 180 days of electing status as a reor-
- 7 ganized employer, the commission shall reinstate the employer's
- 8 negative balance previously reduced and redetermine the
- 9 employer's rate on the basis of <del>such</del> THE reinstated negative
- 10 balance. Such THE redetermined rate shall then be used to
- 11 redetermine the employer's quarterly contributions for that cal-
- 12 endar year. Such THE redetermined contributions shall be
- 13 subject to the interest provisions of section 15 as of the date
- 14 the redetermined quarterly contributions were originally due.
- 15 (5) Except as provided in subdivision (6), the employer con-16 tribution rates for a reorganized employer beginning with the 17 first calendar year of the employer's status as a reorganized 18 employer shall be as follows:

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20 21 22	Year of Contribution Liability	Contribution Rate
23 24	1	2.7% of total taxable wages paid
25	2	2.7%
26	3	2.7%
27	4 and over	(chargeable benefits component based
28		upon 3-year experience) plus
29		(account building component based

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upon 3-year experience) plus
(nonchargeable benefits component)

3 (6) To provide against the high risk of net loss to the fund in such cases, any reorganized employer -which THAT employs in 4 5 "employment", not necessarily simultaneously but in any 1 week 25 or more individuals in the performance of 1 or more contracts or 6 7 subcontracts for construction in the state of roads, bridges, highways, sewers, water mains, utilities, public buildings, fac-8 tories, housing developments, or similar major construction 9 projects, shall be liable beginning the first calendar year of 10 11 the employer's status as a reorganized employer for contribution 12 rates as follows:

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14 15 16	Year of Contribution Liability	Contribution Rate
17 18 19	1 2	average construction contractor rate as determined by the commission
20 21 22 23	3	average construction contractor rate as determined by the commission 1/3 (chargeable benefits component) + 2/3 average construction contractor rate as determined by the com-
24 25 26 27	4	mission 2/3 (chargeable benefits component) + 1/3 average construction contractor rate as determined by the com-
28 29 30 31 32	5 and over	mission (chargeable benefits component) + (account building component) + (nonchargeable benefits component) y an employer to the commission for
33		employer, the commission, within

34 60 days after receipt of the application, shall make a

determination whether the employer meets the conditions set forth

36 in this subsection. Upon finding that the conditions are met,

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1 the commission shall notify the legislature of the determination and request legislative acquiescence in the determination. 2 3 the legislature approves the determination by concurrent resolution, the employer shall be considered to be a "distressed 4 5 employer" as of January 1 of the year in which the determination 6 is made. The commission shall notify the employer of such THAT 7 determination and notify the employer of its contribution rate as a distressed employer and the contribution rate that would apply 8 if the employer was not a distressed employer. The distressed 9 employer shall determine its tax contribution using the 2 rates 10 furnished by the commission and shall pay its tax contribution 11 based on the lower of the 2 rates. If the determination of dis-12 tressed employer status is made during the calendar year, the 13 14 employer shall be entitled to a credit on future quarterly 15 installments for any excess contributions paid during that ini-16 tial calendar year. The employer shall notify the commission of the difference between the amount paid and the amount which 17 18 THAT would have been paid if the employer were not determined to be a distressed employer and the difference will be owed to the 19 unemployment compensation fund, payable in accordance with this 20 21 subsection. Cumulative totals of the difference must be reported to the commission with each return required to be filed. 22 23 commission may periodically determine continued eligibility of an employer under this subsection. When the commission makes a 24 25 determination that an employer no longer qualifies as a distressed employer, the commission shall notify the employer of 26 that determination. After notice by the commission that the 27

- 1 employer no longer qualifies as a distressed employer, the
- 2 employer will be liable for contributions, beginning with the
- 3 first quarter occurring after receipt of notification of disqual-

- 4 ification, on the basis of the rate that would apply if the
- 5 employer was not a distressed employer. The contribution rate
- 6 for a distressed employer shall be calculated under the law in
- 7 effect for the 1982 calendar year except that the rate thus
- 8 determined shall be reduced by the applicable solvency tax rate
- 9 assessed against the employer under section 19a. The taxable
- 10 wage limit of such A distressed employer for the 1983, 1984,
- 11 and 1985 calendar years shall be the maximum amount of remunera-
- 12 tion paid within a calendar year by <del>such an</del> A DISTRESSED
- 13 employer subject to the federal unemployment tax act, 26
- 14 U.S.C. 3301 to 3311, to an individual with respect to employment
- 15 as defined in that act which is subject to tax under that act
- 16 during that year. Commencing with the fourth quarter of 1986,
- 17 the distressed employer will pay in 10 equal annual installments
- 18 the amount of the unpaid contributions owed to the unemployment
- 19 compensation fund due to the application of this subsection,
- 20 without interest. Each installment shall be made with the fourth
- 21 quarterly return for the respective year. As used in this sub-
- 22 section, "distressed employer" means an employer whose continued
- 23 presence in this state is considered essential to the state's
- 24 economic well-being and who meets the following criteria:
- 25 (1) The employer's average annual Michigan payroll in the 5
- 26 previous years exceeded \$500,000,000.00.

(2) The employer's average quarterly number of employees in

- 2 Michigan in the 5 previous years exceeded 25,000.
- 3 (3) The employer's business income as defined in section 3

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- 4 of Act No. 228 of the Public Acts of 1975, being section 208.3
- 5 of the Michigan Compiled Laws THE SINGLE BUSINESS TAX ACT, 1975
- 6 PA 228, MCL 208.3, has resulted in an aggregate loss of
- 7 \$1,000,000,000.00 or more during the 5-year period ending in the
- 8 second year prior to the year for which the application is being
- 9 made.

- 10 (4) The employer has received from the state of Michigan
- 11 THIS STATE loans totaling \$50,000,000.00 or more or loan guaran-
- 12 tees from the federal government in excess of \$500,000,000.00,
- 13 either of which are still outstanding.
- 14 (5) Failure to give an employer designation as a distressed
- 15 employer would adversely impair the employer's ability to repay
- 16 the outstanding loans owed to the state of Michigan or which
- 17 THIS STATE OR THAT are guaranteed by the federal government.
- 18 (d) An employer may at any time make payments to that
- 19 employer's experience account in the fund in excess of the
- 20 requirements of this section, but these payments, when accepted
- 21 by the commission, shall be irrevocable. A payment made by an
- 22 employer within 30 days after mailing to the employer by the com-
- 23 mission of a notice of the adjusted contribution rate of the
- 24 employer shall be credited to the employer's account as of the
- 25 computation date for which the adjusted contribution rate was
- 26 computed, and the employer's contribution rate shall be further
- 27 adjusted accordingly. However, a payment made more than 120 days

- 1 after the beginning of a calendar year shall not affect the
  2 employer's contribution rate for that year.
- 3 Sec. 20. (a) Benefits paid shall be charged against the
- 4 employer's account as of the quarter in which the payments are
- 5 made. If the <del>commission</del> UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY determines that
- 6 any benefits charged against an employer's account were improp-
- 7 erly paid, an amount equal to the charge based on those benefits
- 8 shall be credited to the employer's account and a corresponding
- 9 charge shall be made to the nonchargeable benefits account as of
- 10 the current period or, in the discretion of the -commission-
- 11 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY as of the date of the charge. Benefits paid
- 12 to an individual as a result of an employer's failure to provide
- 13 the commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY with separation, employment,
- 14 and wage data as required by section 32 shall be considered as
- 15 benefits properly paid to the extent that the benefits are
- 16 chargeable to the noncomplying employer.
- 17 (b) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 18 prescribed in section 75, benefits paid to an individual shall be
- 19 based upon the credit weeks earned during the individual's base
- 20 period and shall be charged against the experience accounts of
- 21 the contributing employers or charged to the accounts of the
- 22 reimbursing employers from whom the individual earned credit
- 23 weeks. If the individual earned credit weeks from more than 1
- 24 employer, a separate determination shall be made of the amount
- 25 and duration of benefits based upon the total credit weeks and
- 26 wages earned with each employer. Benefits paid in accordance
- 27 with the determinations shall be charged against the experience

- 1 account of a contributing employer or charged to the account of a reimbursing employer beginning with the most recent employer 2 3 first and thereafter as necessary against other base period employers in inverse order to that in which the claimant earned 4 5 his or her last credit week with those employers. If there is any disqualifying act or discharge under section 29(1) with an 6 7 employer, benefits based upon credit weeks earned from that employer before the disqualifying act or discharge shall be 8 charged only after the exhaustion of charges as provided above. 9 Benefits based upon those credit weeks shall be charged first 10 against the experience account of the contributing employer 11 involved or to the account of the reimbursing employer involved 12 in the most recent disqualifying act or discharge and thereafter 13 14 as necessary in similar inverse order against other base period 15 employers involved in disqualifying acts or discharges. 16 order of charges determined as of the beginning date of a benefit year shall remain fixed during the benefit year. For benefit 17 18 years established after the conversion date prescribed in section 75, the claimant's full weekly benefit rate shall be 19 charged to the account or experience account of the claimant's 20 21 most recent separating employer for each of the first 2 weeks of benefits payable to the claimant in the benefit year in accord-22 23 ance with the monetary determination issued pursuant to
- 24 section 32. HOWEVER, IF THE TOTAL SUM OF WAGES PAID BY AN
- 25 EMPLOYER TOTALS \$200.00 OR LESS, THOSE WAGES SHALL BE USED FOR
- 26 PURPOSES OF BENEFIT PAYMENT, BUT ANY BENEFIT CHARGES ATTRIBUTABLE
- 27 TO THOSE WAGES SHALL BE CHARGED TO THE NONCHARGEABLE BENEFITS

1 ACCOUNT. Thereafter, remaining weeks of benefits payable in the benefit year shall be paid in accordance with the monetary deter-2 3 mination and shall be charged proportionally to all base period employers, with the charge to each base period employer being 4 5 made on the basis of the ratio that total wages paid by the employer in the base period bears to total wages paid by all 6 7 employers in the base period. However, if the claimant did not 8 perform services for the most recent separating employer or employing entity and receive earnings for performing the services 9 of at least the amount a claimant must earn, in the manner pre-10 11 scribed in section 29(3), to requalify for benefits following a disqualification under section 29(1)(a), (b), (i), or (k) during 12 the claimant's most recent period of employment with the employer 13 14 or employing entity, then all weeks of benefits payable in the 15 benefit year shall be charged proportionally to all base period 16 employers, with the charge to each base period employer being made on the basis of the ratio that total wages paid by the 17 18 employer in the base period bears to total wages paid by all employers in the base period. If the claimant performed services 19 20 for the most recent separating employing entity and received 21 earnings for performing the services of at least the amount a 22 claimant must earn, in the manner prescribed in section 29(3), to 23 requalify for benefits following a disqualification under section 29(1)(a), (b), (i), or (k) during the claimant's most 24 25 recent period of employment for the employing entity but the sep-

arating employing entity was not a liable employer, the first 2

weeks of benefits payable to the claimant shall be charged

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1 proportionally to all base period employers, with the charge to

- 2 each base period employer being made on the basis of the ratio
- 3 that total wages paid by the employer in the base period bears to
- 4 total wages paid by all employers in the base period. The
- 5 "separating employer" is the employer that caused the individual
- 6 to be unemployed as defined in section 48.
- 7 (c) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 8 prescribed in section 75, and except as otherwise provided in
- 9 section 11(d) or (g) or section 46a, the charges for regular ben-
- 10 efits to any reimbursing employer or to any contributing
- 11 employer's experience account shall not exceed the weekly benefit
- 12 rate multiplied by 3/4 the number of credit weeks earned by the
- 13 individual during his or her base period from that employer. If
- 14 the resultant product is not an even multiple of 1/2 the weekly
- 15 benefit rate, the amount shall be raised to an amount equal to
- 16 the next higher multiple of 1/2 the weekly benefit rate, and in
- 17 the case of an individual who was employed by only 1 employer in
- 18 his or her base period and who earned 34 credit weeks with that
- 19 employer, the product shall be raised to the next higher multiple
- 20 of the weekly benefit rate.
- 21 (d) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 22 prescribed in section 75, and except as otherwise provided in
- 23 section 11(d) or (g) or section 46, the charges for regular bene-
- 24 fits to any reimbursing employer's account or to any contributing
- 25 employer's experience account shall not exceed either the amount
- 26 derived by multiplying by 2 the weekly benefit rate chargeable to
- 27 the employer in accordance with subsection (b) if the employer is

1 the separating employer and is chargeable for the first 2 weeks

- 2 of benefits, or the amount derived from the percentage of the
- 3 weekly benefit rate chargeable to the employer in accordance with
- 4 subsection (b), multiplied by the number of weeks of benefits
- 5 chargeable to base period employers based on base period wages,
- 6 to which the individual is entitled as provided in section 27(d),
- 7 if the employer is a base period employer, or both of these
- 8 amounts if the employer was both the chargeable separating
- 9 employer and a base period employer.
- 10 (e) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date
- 11 prescribed in section 75:
- 12 (1) When an individual has multiemployer credit weeks in his
- 13 or her base period, and when it becomes necessary to use those
- 14 credit weeks as a basis for benefit payments, a single determina-
- 15 tion shall be made of the individual's weekly benefit rate and
- 16 maximum amount of benefits based on the individual's multiem-
- 17 ployer credit weeks and the wages earned therein IN THOSE
- 18 CREDIT WEEKS. Each employer involved in the individual's multi-
- 19 employer credit weeks shall be an interested party to the
- 20 determination. The proviso in section 29(2) shall not be appli-
- 21 cable to multiemployer credit weeks, nor shall the reduction pro-
- 22 vision of section 29(4) apply to benefit entitlement based upon
- 23 those credit weeks.
- 24 (2) The charge for benefits based on multiemployer credit
- 25 weeks shall be allocated to each employer involved on the basis
- 26 of the ratio that the total wages earned during the total
- 27 multiemployer credit weeks counted under section 50(b) with the

- 1 employer bears to the total amount of wages earned during the
- 2 total multiemployer credit weeks counted under section 50(b) with
- 3 all such employers, computed to the nearest cent. However, if an
- 4 adjusted weekly benefit rate is determined in accordance with
- 5 section 27(f), the charge to the employer who has contributed to
- 6 the financing of the retirement plan shall be reduced by the same
- 7 amount by which the weekly benefit rate was adjusted under
- 8 section 27(f). Benefits for a week of unemployment allocated
- 9 under this subsection to a contributing employer shall be charged
- 10 to the nonchargeable benefits account if the claimant during that
- 11 week earns remuneration with that employer which THAT equals or
- 12 exceeds the amount of benefits allocated to that employer.
- 13 (3) Benefits paid in accordance with the determination based
- 14 on multiemployer credit weeks shall be allocated to each employer
- 15 involved and charged as of the quarter in which the payments are
- 16 made. Notice of charges made under this subsection shall be
- 17 given to each employer by means of a current listing of charges,
- 18 at least weekly, or of a quarterly statement of charges. The
- 19 listing or statement shall specify the weeks for which benefits
- 20 were paid based on multiemployer credit weeks and the amount of
- 21 benefits paid chargeable to that employer for each week. The
- 22 notice shall be considered to satisfy the requirements of
- 23 sections 21(a) and 32(d) that notification be given each employer
- 24 of benefits charged against that employer's account by means of a
- 25 copy or listing of the benefit check, and all protest and appeal
- 26 rights applicable to benefit check copies or listings shall also
- 27 be applicable to the notice of charges. If an employer receives

1 both a current listing of charges and a quarterly statement of

- 2 charges under this subsection, all protest and appeal rights
- 3 shall only be applicable to the first notice given.
- 4 (f) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 5 prescribed in section 75, IF benefits for a week of unemployment
- 6 ARE CHARGED TO 2 OR MORE BASE PERIOD EMPLOYERS, THE SHARE OF THE
- 7 BENEFITS ALLOCATED AND charged under this section to a contribut-
- 8 ing employer shall be charged to the nonchargeable benefits
- 9 account if the claimant during that week earns remuneration with
- 10 that employer which THAT equals or exceeds the amount of bene-
- 11 fits charged to that employer.
- 12 (g) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date
- 13 prescribed in section 75:
- 14 (1) Training benefits as provided in section 27(g), and
- 15 extended benefits as provided in section 64, shall be allocated
- 16 to each reimbursing employer involved in the individual's base
- 17 period of the claim to which the benefits are related, on the
- 18 basis of the ratio that the total wages earned during the total
- 19 credit weeks counted under section 50(b) with a reimbursing
- 20 employer bears to the total amount of wages earned during the
- 21 total credit weeks counted under section 50(b) with all
- 22 employers.
- 23 (2) Training benefits and extended benefits, to the extent
- 24 that they are not reimbursable by the federal government and have
- 25 been allocated to a reimbursing employer, shall be charged to
- 26 that reimbursing employer. A contributing employer's experience
- 27 account shall not be charged with training benefits. Training

- 1 benefits based on service with a contributing employer, to the
- 2 extent that they are not reimbursable by the federal government,
- 3 shall be charged to the nonchargeable benefits account. Extended
- 4 benefits paid and based on service with a contributing employer,
- 5 to the extent that they are not reimbursable by the federal gov-
- 6 ernment, shall be charged to that employer's experience account.
- 7 (3) If the training benefits or extended benefits are
- 8 chargeable only to a single reimbursing employer, the benefits
- 9 shall be charged in accordance with subsection (a). If the
- 10 training benefits or extended benefits are chargeable to more
- 11 than 1 reimbursing employer, or to 1 or more reimbursing employ-
- 12 ers and the nonchargeable benefits account, the benefits shall be
- 13 charged as of the quarter in which the payments are made.
- 14 (4) Notice of charges made under this subsection shall be
- 15 given to each employer by means of a current listing of charges,
- 16 at least weekly, and subsequently by a quarterly summary state-
- 17 ment of charges. The listing shall specify the name and social
- 18 security number of each claimant paid benefits during the week,
- 19 the weeks for which the benefits were paid, and the amount of
- 20 benefits chargeable to that employer paid for each week. The
- 21 quarterly statement of charges shall list each claimant by name
- 22 and social security number and shall show total benefit payments
- 23 chargeable to that employer and made to each claimant during the
- 24 calendar quarter. The listing shall be considered to satisfy the
- 25 requirements of sections 21(a) and 32(d) that notification be
- 26 given each employer of benefits charged against that employer's
- 27 account by means of a listing of the benefit check. All protest

1 and appeal rights applicable to benefit check listings shall also

- 2 be applicable to the notice of charges. If an employer receives
- 3 both a current listing of charges and a quarterly statement of
- 4 charges under this subsection, all protest and appeal rights
- 5 shall only be applicable to the first notice given.
- 6 (h) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 7 prescribed in section 75:
- 8 (1) Training benefits as provided in section 27(g), and
- 9 extended benefits as provided in section 64, shall be charged to
- 10 each reimbursing employer in the base period of the claim to
- 11 which the benefits are related, on the basis of the ratio that
- 12 the total wages paid by a reimbursing employer during the base
- 13 period bears to the total wages paid by all reimbursing employers
- 14 in the base period.
- 15 (2) Training benefits, and extended benefits to the extent
- 16 they are not reimbursable by the federal government and have been
- 17 allocated to a reimbursing employer, shall be charged to that
- 18 reimbursing employer. A contributing employer's experience
- 19 account shall not be charged with training benefits. Training
- 20 benefits based on service with a contributing employer, to the
- 21 extent they are not reimbursable by the federal government, shall
- 22 be charged to the nonchargeable benefits account. Extended bene-
- 23 fits paid and based on service with a contributing employer, to
- 24 the extent they are not reimbursable by the federal government,
- 25 shall be charged to that employer's experience account.
- 26 (3) If the training benefits or extended benefits are
- 27 chargeable only to a single reimbursing employer, the benefits

- 1 shall be charged in accordance with subsection (a). If the
- 2 training benefits or extended benefits are chargeable to more
- 3 than 1 reimbursing employer, or to 1 or more reimbursing employ-
- 4 ers and the nonchargeable benefits account, the benefits shall be
- 5 charged as of the quarter in which the payments are made.
- 6 (4) Notice of charges made under this subsection shall be
- 7 given to each employer by means of a current listing of charges,
- 8 at least weekly, and subsequently by a quarterly summary state-
- 9 ment of charges. The listing shall specify the name and social
- 10 security number of each claimant paid benefits in the week, the
- 11 weeks for which the benefits were paid, and the amount of bene-
- 12 fits chargeable to that employer paid for each week. The quar-
- 13 terly summary statement of charges shall list each claimant by
- 14 name and social security number and shall show total benefit pay-
- 15 ments chargeable to that employer and made to each claimant
- 16 during the calendar quarter. The listing shall be considered to
- 17 satisfy the requirements of sections 21(a) and 32(d) that notifi-
- 18 cation be given TO each employer of benefits charged against that
- 19 employer's account by means of a listing of the benefit check.
- 20 All protest and appeal rights applicable to benefit check list-
- 21 ings shall also be applicable to the notice of charges. If an
- 22 employer receives both a current listing of charges and a quar-
- 23 terly summary statement of charges under this subsection, all
- 24 protest and appeal rights shall only be applicable to the first
- 25 notice given.
- 26 (i) If a benefit year is established after the conversion
- 27 date prescribed in section 75, the portion of benefits paid in

- 1 that benefit year that are based on wages used to establish the
- 2 immediately preceding benefit year that began before the conver-
- 3 sion date shall not be charged to the employer or employers who
- 4 paid those wages but shall be charged instead to the noncharge-
- 5 able benefits account.
- 6 Sec. 27. (a)(1) When a determination, redetermination, or
- 7 decision is made that benefits are due an unemployed individual,
- 8 the benefits shall -immediately become payable from the fund IN
- 9 THE FIRST ELIGIBLE COMPENSABLE WEEK IN A BENEFIT YEAR AS PROVIDED
- 10 IN SUBSECTION (C)(1) and continue to be payable to the unemployed
- 11 individual, subject to the limitations imposed by the
- 12 individual's monetary entitlement, as long as IF the individual
- 13 continues to be unemployed and to file claims for benefits, until
- 14 the determination, redetermination, or decision is reversed, a
- 15 determination, redetermination, or decision on a new issue hold-
- 16 ing the individual disqualified or ineligible is made, or, for
- 17 benefit years beginning before the conversion date prescribed in
- 18 section 75, a new separation issue arises resulting from subse-
- 19 quent work.
- 20 (2) Benefits shall be paid in person or by mail through
- 21 employment offices in accordance with rules promulgated by the
- 22 commission.
- 23 (b)(1) Subject to subsection (f), the weekly benefit rate
- 24 for an individual, with respect to benefit years beginning before
- 25 the conversion date prescribed in section 75, shall be 67% of the
- 26 individual's average after tax weekly wage, except that the
- 27 individual's maximum weekly benefit rate shall not exceed

- 1 \$300.00. However, with respect to benefit years beginning after
- 2 the conversion date as prescribed in section 75 AND BEGINNING
- 3 BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED SEC-
- 4 TION 13l, the individual's weekly benefit rate shall be 4.1% of
- 5 the individual's wages paid in the calendar quarter of the base
- 6 period in which the individual was paid the highest total wages,
- 7 plus \$6.00 for each dependent as defined in subdivision (3), up
- 8 to a maximum of 5 dependents, claimed by the individual at the
- 9 time the individual files a new claim for benefits, except that
- 10 the individual's maximum weekly benefit rate shall not exceed
- 11 \$300.00. WITH RESPECT TO BENEFIT YEARS BEGINNING AFTER THE CON-
- 12 VERSION DATE AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 75 AND BEGINNING AFTER THE
- 13 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED SECTION 13l, THE
- 14 INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT RATE SHALL BE 4.1% OF THE
- 15 INDIVIDUAL'S WAGES PAID IN THE CALENDAR QUARTER OF THE BASE
- 16 PERIOD IN WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL WAS PAID THE HIGHEST TOTAL WAGES,
- 17 NOT TO EXCEED \$315.00 FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WITH NO DEPENDENTS. AN
- 18 INDIVIDUAL SHALL RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL \$20.00 FOR EACH DEPENDENT
- 19 AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION (3), UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 5 DEPENDENTS,
- 20 CLAIMED BY THE INDIVIDUAL AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL FILES A NEW
- 21 CLAIM FOR BENEFITS, EXCEPT THAT THE INDIVIDUAL'S MAXIMUM WEEKLY
- 22 BENEFIT RATE SHALL NOT EXCEED \$415.00. THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY
- 23 SHALL ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO VERIFY THE NUMBER OF
- 24 DEPENDENTS CLAIMED. IF A PERSON FRAUDULENTLY CLAIMS A DEPENDENT,
- 25 THAT PERSON IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 54
- 26 AND 54C. With respect to benefit years beginning on or after

1 October 2, 1983, the weekly benefit rate shall be adjusted to the

- 2 next lower multiple of \$1.00.
- 3 (2) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date
- 4 prescribed in section 75, the state average weekly wage for a
- 5 calendar year shall be computed on the basis of the 12 months
- 6 ending the June 30 immediately preceding that calendar year. The
- 7 commission shall prepare a table of weekly benefit rates based on
- 8 an "average after tax weekly wage" calculated by subtracting,
- 9 from an individual's average weekly wage as determined in accord-
- 10 ance with section 51, a reasonable approximation of the weekly
- 11 amount required to be withheld by the employer from the remunera-
- 12 tion of the individual based on dependents and exemptions for
- 13 income taxes under chapter 24 of subtitle C of the internal reve-
- 14 nue code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3401 to 3406, and under section 351
- 15 of the income tax act of 1967, Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of
- 16 1967, being section 206.351 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1967
- 17 PA 281, MCL 206.351, and for old age and survivor's disability
- 18 insurance taxes under the federal insurance contributions act,
- 19 chapter 21 of subtitle C of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26
- 20 U.S.C. 3128. For purposes of applying the table to an
- 21 individual's claim, a dependent shall be as defined in
- 22 subdivision (3). The table applicable to an individual's claim
- 23 shall be the table reflecting the number of dependents claimed by
- 24 the individual under subdivision (3). The commission shall
- 25 adjust the tables based on changes in withholding schedules pub-
- 26 lished by the United States department of treasury, internal
- 27 revenue service, and by the department of treasury. The number

1 of dependents allowed shall be determined with respect to each

- 2 week of unemployment for which an individual is claiming
- 3 benefits.
- 4 (3) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date
- 5 prescribed in section 75, a dependent means any of the following
- 6 persons who is receiving and for at least 90 consecutive days
- 7 immediately preceding the week for which benefits are claimed,
- 8 or, in the case of a dependent husband, wife, or child, for the
- 9 duration of the marital or parental relationship, if the rela-
- 10 tionship has existed less than 90 days, has received more than
- 11 half the cost of his or her support from the individual claiming
- 12 benefits:
- 13 (a) A child, including stepchild, adopted child, or grand-
- 14 child of the individual who is under 18 years of age, or 18 years
- 15 of age or over if, because of physical or mental infirmity, the
- 16 child is unable to engage in a gainful occupation, or is a
- 17 full-time student as defined by the particular educational insti-
- 18 tution, at a high school, vocational school, community or junior
- 19 college, or college or university and has not attained the age of
- **20** 22.
- 21 (b) The husband or wife of the individual.
- 22 (c) The legal father or mother of the individual if that
- 23 parent is either more than 65 years of age or is permanently dis-
- 24 abled from engaging in a gainful occupation.
- 25 (d) A brother or sister of the individual if the brother or
- 26 sister is orphaned or the living parents are dependent parents of
- 27 an individual, and the brother or sister is under 18 years of

- 1 age, or 18 years of age or over if, because of physical or mental
- 2 infirmity, the brother or sister is unable to engage in a gainful
- 3 occupation, or is a full-time student as defined by the particu-
- 4 lar educational institution, at a high school, vocational school,
- 5 community or junior college, or college or university and is less
- 6 than 22 years of age.
- 7 (4) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 8 prescribed in section 75, a dependent means any of the following
- 9 persons who received for at least 90 consecutive days immediately
- 10 preceding the first week of the benefit year or, in the case of a
- 11 dependent husband, wife, or child, for the duration of the mari-
- 12 tal or parental relationship if the relationship existed less
- 13 than 90 days before the beginning of the benefit year, has
- 14 received more than 1/2 the cost of his or her support from the
- 15 individual claiming the benefits:
- 16 (a) A child, including stepchild, adopted child, or grand-
- 17 child of the individual who is under 18 years of age, or 18 years
- 18 of age and over if, because of physical or mental infirmity, the
- 19 child is unable to engage in a gainful occupation, or is a
- 20 full-time student as defined by the particular educational insti-
- 21 tution, at a high school, vocational school, community or junior
- 22 college, or college or university and has not attained the age of
- **23** 22.
- 24 (b) The husband or wife of the individual.
- 25 (c) The legal father or mother of the individual if that
- 26 parent is either more than 65 years of age or is permanently
- 27 disabled from engaging in a gainful occupation.

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is less than 22 years of age.

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1 (d) A brother or sister of the individual if the brother or sister is orphaned or the living parents are dependent parents of 2 3 an individual, and the brother or sister is under 18 years of age, or 18 years of age and over if, because of physical or 4 5 mental infirmity, the brother or sister is unable to engage in a gainful occupation, or is a full-time student as defined by the 6 7 particular educational institution, at a high school, vocational 8 school, community or junior college, or college or university and

(5) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date prescribed in section 75, dependency status of a dependent, child or otherwise, once established or fixed in favor of an individual continues during the individual's benefit year until terminated. Dependency status of a dependent terminates at the end of the week in which the dependent ceases to be an individual described in subdivision (3)(a), (b), (c), or (d) because of age, death, or divorce. For benefit years beginning after the conversion date prescribed in section 75, the number of dependents established for an individual at the beginning of the benefit year shall remain in effect during the entire benefit year.

21 (6) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date 22 prescribed in section 75, failure on the part of an individual, 23 due to misinformation or lack of information, to furnish all 24 information material for determination of the number of the 25 individual's dependents when the individual files a claim for 26 benefits with respect to a week shall be considered good cause 27 for the issuance of a redetermination as to the amount of House Bill No. 5763 as amended March 20, 2002 49

- 1 benefits based on the number of the individual's dependents as of
- 2 the beginning date of that week. Dependency status of a depen-
- 3 dent, child or otherwise, once established or fixed in favor of a
- 4 person is not transferable to or usable by another person with
- 5 respect to the same week.
- 6 For benefit years beginning after the conversion date as
- 7 prescribed in section 75, failure on the part of an individual,
- 8 due to misinformation or lack of information, to furnish all
- 9 information material for determination of the number of the
- 10 individual's dependents shall be considered good cause for the
- 11 issuance of a redetermination as to the amount of benefits based
- 12 on the number of the individual's dependents as of the beginning
- 13 of the benefit year.
- 14 (c) Subject to subsection (f), all of the following apply to
- 15 eligible individuals:
- 16 (1) Each eligible individual shall be paid a weekly benefit
- 17 rate with respect to the week for which the individual earns or
- 18 receives no remuneration. HOWEVER, BEFORE THE PAYMENT OF BENEFITS IN A
- 19 BENEFIT YEAR, THE INDIVIDUAL MUST SERVE A NONCOMPENSABLE WEEK
- 20 FOR THE FIRST OTHERWISE COMPENSABLE WEEK OF THE BENEFIT YEAR.
- THE NONCOMPENSABLE WEEK REQUIRED UNDER THE PRECEDING SENTENCE SHALL NOT INTERRIPT THE PAYMENT OF A WEEKLY BENEFIT RATE FOR CONSECUTIVE WEEKS OF UNEMPLOYMENT. AN ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE PAID HIS OR HER WEEKLY BENEFIT RATE WITH RESPECT TO THE WEEK FOR WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVED CREDIT FOR A NONCOMPENSABLE WEEK WHEN THE INDIVIDUAL'S UNEMPLOYMENT IS TERMINATED BY THE INDIVIDUAL ACCEPTING FULL-TIME WORK WITH ANY EMPLOYER OR EMPLOYING UNIT OR WHEN THE INDIVIDUAL IS NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS.
- 22 Notwithstanding the definition of week as contained in section
- 23 50, if within 2 consecutive weeks in which an individual was not
- 24 unemployed within the meaning of section 48 there was a period of
- 25 7 or more consecutive days for which the individual did not earn
- 26 or receive remuneration, that period shall be considered a week
- 27 for benefit purposes under this act if a claim for benefits for

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1 that period is filed not later than 30 days -subsequent to AFTER

- 2 the end of the period.
- 3 (2) Each eligible individual shall have his or her weekly
- 4 benefit rate reduced with respect to each week in which the indi-
- 5 vidual earns or receives remuneration at the rate of 50 cents for
- 6 each whole \$1.00 of remuneration earned or received during that
- 7 week.
- 8 (3) An individual who receives or earns partial remuneration
- 9 may not receive a total of benefits and earnings that exceeds
- 10 1-1/2 times his or her weekly benefit amount. For each dollar of
- 11 total benefits and earnings that exceeds 1-1/2 times the
- 12 individual's weekly benefit amount, benefits shall be reduced by
- **13** \$1.00.
- 14 (4) If the reduction in a claimant's benefit rate for a week
- 15 in accordance with subparagraph (2) or (3) results in a benefit
- 16 rate greater than zero for that week, the claimant's balance of
- 17 weeks of benefit payments will be reduced by 1 week.
- 18 (5) All remuneration for work performed during a shift that
- 19 terminates on 1 day but that began on the preceding day shall be
- 20 considered to have been earned by the eligible individual on the
- 21 preceding day.
- 22 (d) For benefit years beginning before the conversion date
- 23 prescribed in section 75, and subject to subsection (f) and this
- 24 subsection, the amount of benefits to which an individual who is
- 25 otherwise eligible is entitled during a benefit year from an
- 26 employer with respect to employment during the base period is the
- 27 amount obtained by multiplying the weekly benefit rate with

- 1 respect to that employment by 3/4 of the number of credit weeks
- 2 earned in the employment. For the purpose of this subsection and

- 3 section 20(c), if the resultant product is not an even multiple
- 4 of 1/2 the weekly benefit rate, the product shall be raised to an
- 5 amount equal to the next higher multiple of 1/2 the weekly bene-
- 6 fit rate, and, for an individual who was employed by only 1
- 7 employer in the individual's base period and earned 34 credit
- 8 weeks with that employer, the product shall be raised to the next
- 9 higher multiple of the weekly benefit rate. The maximum amount
- 10 of benefits payable to an individual within a benefit year, with
- 11 respect to employment by an employer, shall not exceed 26 times
- 12 the weekly benefit rate with respect to that employment. The
- 13 maximum amount of benefits payable to an individual within a ben-
- 14 efit year shall not exceed the amount to which the individual
- 15 would be entitled for 26 weeks of unemployment in which remunera-
- 16 tion was not earned or received. The limitation of total bene-
- 17 fits set forth in this subsection does not apply to claimants
- 18 declared eligible for training benefits in accordance with sub-
- 19 section (g). For benefit years beginning after the conversion
- 20 date prescribed in section 75, and subject to subsection (f) and
- 21 this subsection, the maximum benefit amount payable to an indi-
- 22 vidual in a benefit year for purposes of this section and
- 23 section 20(c) is the number of weeks of benefits payable to an
- 24 individual during the benefit year, multiplied by the
- 25 individual's weekly benefit rate. The number of weeks of bene-
- 26 fits payable to an individual shall be calculated by taking 40%
- 27 43% of the individual's base period wages and dividing the result

- 1 by the individual's weekly benefit rate. If the quotient is not
- 2 a whole or half number, the result shall be rounded down to the
- 3 nearest half number. However, not more than 26 weeks of benefits
- 4 or less than 14 weeks of benefits shall be payable to an individ-
- 5 ual in a benefit year. The limitation of total benefits set
- 6 forth in this subsection shall not apply to claimants declared
- 7 eligible for training benefits in accordance with
- 8 subsection (g).
- 9 (e) When a claimant dies or is judicially declared insane or
- 10 mentally incompetent, unemployment compensation benefits accrued
- 11 and payable to that person for weeks of unemployment before
- 12 death, insanity, or incompetency, but not paid, shall become due
- 13 and payable to the person who is the legal heir or guardian of
- 14 the claimant or to any other person found by the commission to be
- 15 equitably entitled to the benefits by reason of having incurred
- 16 expense in behalf of the claimant for the claimant's burial or
- 17 other necessary expenses.
- 18 (f)(1) For benefit years beginning before the conversion
- 19 date prescribed in section 75, and notwithstanding any inconsis-
- 20 tent provisions of this act, the weekly benefit rate of each
- 21 individual who is receiving or will receive a "retirement
- 22 benefit", as defined in subdivision (4), shall be adjusted as
- 23 provided in subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c). However, an
- 24 individual's extended benefit account and an individual's weekly
- 25 extended benefit rate under section 64 shall be established with-
- 26 out reduction under this subsection unless subdivision (5) is in
- 27 effect. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all

1 other provisions of this act continue to apply in connection with

- 2 the benefit claims of those retired persons.
- 3 (a) If and to the extent that unemployment benefits payable
- 4 under this act would be chargeable to an employer who has con-
- 5 tributed to the financing of a retirement plan under which the
- 6 claimant is receiving or will receive a retirement benefit yield-
- 7 ing a pro rata weekly amount equal to or larger than the
- 8 claimant's weekly benefit rate as otherwise established under
- 9 this act, the claimant shall not receive unemployment benefits
- 10 that would be chargeable to the employer under this act.
- 11 (b) If and to the extent that unemployment benefits payable
- 12 under this act would be chargeable to an employer who has con-
- 13 tributed to the financing of a retirement plan under which the
- 14 claimant is receiving or will receive a retirement benefit yield-
- 15 ing a pro rata weekly amount less than the claimant's weekly ben-
- 16 efit rate as otherwise established under this act, then the
- 17 weekly benefit rate otherwise payable to the claimant and charge-
- 18 able to the employer under this act shall be reduced by an amount
- 19 equal to the pro rata weekly amount, adjusted to the next lower
- 20 multiple of \$1.00, which the claimant is receiving or will
- 21 receive as a retirement benefit.
- 22 (c) If the unemployment benefit payable under this act would
- 23 be chargeable to an employer who has not contributed to the
- 24 financing of a retirement plan under which the claimant is
- 25 receiving or will receive a retirement benefit, then the weekly
- 26 benefit rate of the claimant as otherwise established under this
- 27 act shall not be reduced due to receipt of a retirement benefit.

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1 (d) If the unemployment benefit payable under this act is
2 computed on the basis of multiemployer credit weeks and a portion
3 of the benefit is allocable under section 20(e) to an employer
4 who has contributed to the financing of a retirement plan under
5 which the claimant is receiving or will receive a retirement ben6 efit, the adjustments required by subparagraph (a) or (b) apply
7 only to that portion of the weekly benefit rate that would other-

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9 (2) If an individual's weekly benefit rate under this act
10 was established before the period for which the individual first
11 receives a retirement benefit, any benefits received after a
12 retirement benefit becomes payable shall be determined in accord13 ance with the formula stated in this subsection.

wise be allocable and chargeable to the employer.

- 14 (3) When necessary to assure prompt payment of benefits, the 15 commission shall determine the pro rata weekly amount yielded by 16 an individual's retirement benefit based on the best information currently available to it. In the absence of fraud, a determina-17 18 tion shall not be reconsidered unless it is established that the 19 individual's actual retirement benefit in fact differs from the amount determined by \$2.00 or more per week. The reconsideration 20 21 shall apply only to benefits as may be claimed after the information on which the reconsideration is based was received by the 22 23 commission.
- 24 (4)(a) As used in this subdivision, "retirement benefit"
  25 means a benefit, annuity, or pension of any type or that part
  26 thereof that is described in subparagraph (b) that is:

- (i) Provided as an incident of employment under an
   established retirement plan, policy, or agreement, including
   federal social security if subdivision (5) is in effect.
- 4 (ii) Payable to an individual because the individual has qualified on the basis of attained age, length of service, or 5 6 disability, whether or not the individual retired or was retired 7 from employment. Amounts paid to individuals in the course of liquidation of a private pension or retirement fund because of 8 9 termination of the business or of a plant or department of the business of the employer involved shall not be considered to be 10 11 retirement benefits.
- (b) If a benefit as described in subparagraph (a) is payableor paid to the individual under a plan to which the individualhas contributed:
- (i) Less than half of the cost of the benefit, then onlyhalf of the benefit shall be treated as a retirement benefit.
- 17 (ii) Half or more of the cost of the benefit, then none of18 the benefit shall be treated as a retirement benefit.
- (c) The burden of establishing the extent of an individual's contribution to the cost of his or her retirement benefit for the purpose of subparagraph (b) is upon the employer who has contributed to the plan under which a benefit is provided.
- (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection, for any week that begins after March 31, 1980, and with respect to which an individual is receiving a governmental or other pension and claiming unemployment compensation, the weekly benefit amount payable to the individual for those weeks shall be

1 reduced, but not below zero, by the entire prorated weekly amount

- 2 of any governmental or other pension, retirement or retired pay,
- 3 annuity, or any other similar payment that is based on any previ-
- 4 ous work of the individual. This reduction shall be made only if
- 5 it is required as a condition for full tax credit against the tax
- 6 imposed by the federal unemployment tax act, chapter 23 of
- 7 subtitle C of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3301
- 8 to 3311.
- **9** (6) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 10 prescribed in section 75, notwithstanding any inconsistent provi-
- 11 sions of this act, the weekly benefit rate of each individual who
- 12 is receiving or will receive a retirement benefit, as defined in
- 13 subdivision (4), shall be adjusted as provided in
- 14 subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c). However, an individual's
- 15 extended benefit account and an individual's weekly extended ben-
- 16 efit rate under section 64 shall be established without reduction
- 17 under this subsection, unless subdivision (5) is in effect.
- 18 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all the other
- 19 provisions of this act shall continue to be applicable in connec-
- 20 tion with the benefit claims of those retired persons.
- 21 (a) If any base period or chargeable employer has contrib-
- 22 uted to the financing of a retirement plan under which the claim-
- 23 ant is receiving or will receive a retirement benefit yielding a
- 24 pro rata weekly amount equal to or larger than the claimant's
- 25 weekly benefit rate as otherwise established under this act, the
- 26 claimant shall not receive unemployment benefits.

1 (b) If any base period employer or chargeable employer has contributed to the financing of a retirement plan under which the 2 3 claimant is receiving or will receive a retirement benefit yielding a pro rata weekly amount less than the claimant's weekly ben-4 5 efit rate as otherwise established under this act, then the weekly benefit rate otherwise payable to the claimant shall be 6 7 reduced by an amount equal to the pro rata weekly amount, adjusted to the next lower multiple of \$1.00, which the claimant 8 is receiving or will receive as a retirement benefit. 9 (c) If no base period or separating employer has contributed 10 11 to the financing of a retirement plan under which the claimant is receiving or will receive a retirement benefit, then the weekly 12 benefit rate of the claimant as otherwise established under this 13 14 act shall not be reduced due to receipt of a retirement benefit. 15 (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, an 16 individual pursuing vocational training or retraining pursuant to section 28(2) who has exhausted all benefits available under sub-17 18 section (d) may be paid for each week of approved vocational training pursued beyond the date of exhaustion a benefit amount 19 in accordance with subsection (c), but not in excess of the 20 21 individual's most recent weekly benefit rate. However, an indi-22 vidual shall not be paid training benefits totaling more than 18 23 times the individual's most recent weekly benefit rate. expiration or termination of a benefit year shall not stop or 24 25 interrupt payment of training benefits if the training for which

the benefits were granted began before expiration or termination

of the benefit year.

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1 (h) A payment of accrued unemployment benefits shall not be
2 made to an eligible individual or in behalf of that individual as
3 provided in subsection (e) more than 6 years after the ending
4 date of the benefit year covering the payment or 2 calendar years
5 after the calendar year in which there is final disposition of a
6 contested case, whichever is later.

(i) Benefits based on service in employment described in section 42(8), (9), and (10) are payable in the same amount, on the same terms, and subject to the same conditions as compensation payable on the basis of other service subject to this act, except that:

(1) With respect to service performed in an instructional, research, or principal administrative capacity for an institution of higher education as defined in section 53(2), or for an educational institution other than an institution of higher education as defined in section 53(3), benefits shall not be paid to an individual based on those services for any week of unemployment beginning after December 31, 1977 that commences during the period between 2 successive academic years or during a similar period between 2 regular terms, whether or not successive, or during a period of paid sabbatical leave provided for in the individual's contract, to an individual if the individual performs the service in the first of the academic years or terms and if there is a contract or a reasonable assurance that the individual will perform service in an instructional, research, or

principal administrative capacity for an institution of higher

education or an educational institution other than an institution

- 1 of higher education in the second of the academic years or terms,
- 2 whether or not the terms are successive.
- 3 (2) With respect to service performed in other than an
- 4 instructional, research, or principal administrative capacity for
- 5 an institution of higher education as defined in section 53(2) or
- 6 for an educational institution other than an institution of
- 7 higher education as defined in section 53(3), benefits shall not
- 8 be paid based on those services for any week of unemployment
- 9 beginning after December 31, 1977 that commences during the
- 10 period between 2 successive academic years or terms to any indi-
- 11 vidual if that individual performs the service in the first of
- 12 the academic years or terms and if there is a reasonable assur-
- 13 ance that the individual will perform the service for an institu-
- 14 tion of higher education or an educational institution other than
- 15 an institution of higher education in the second of the academic
- 16 years or terms.
- 17 (3) With respect to any service described in subdivision (1)
- 18 or (2), benefits shall not be paid to an individual based upon
- 19 service for any week of unemployment that commences during an
- 20 established and customary vacation period or holiday recess if
- 21 the individual performs the service in the period immediately
- 22 before the vacation period or holiday recess and there is a con-
- 23 tract or reasonable assurance that the individual will perform
- 24 the service in the period immediately following the vacation
- 25 period or holiday recess.
- 26 (4) If benefits are denied to an individual for any week
- 27 solely as a result of subdivision (2) and the individual was not

offered an opportunity to perform in the second academic year or term the service for which reasonable assurance had been given, the individual is entitled to a retroactive payment of benefits for each week for which the individual had previously filed a timely claim for benefits. An individual entitled to benefits

6 under this subdivision may apply for those benefits by mail in7 accordance with R 421.210 as promulgated by the commission.

9 of the Public Acts of 1983 apply to all claims for unemployment
10 compensation that are filed on and after October 31, 1983.
11 However, the amendments are retroactive to September 5, 1982 only
12 if, as a condition for full tax credit against the tax imposed by

the federal unemployment tax act, chapter 23 of subtitle C of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3301 to 3311, the United States secretary of labor determines that retroactivity is required by federal law.

(5) —(6) Notwithstanding subdivision (2), on and after April 1, 1984 benefits—BENEFITS based upon services in other than an instructional, research, or principal administrative capacity for an institution of higher education shall not be denied for any week of unemployment commencing during the period between 2 successive academic years or terms solely because the individual had performed the service in the first of the academic years or terms and there is reasonable assurance that the individual will perform the service for an institution of higher education or an educational institution other than an institution of higher education in the second of the academic years or terms, unless a

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- 1 denial is required as a condition for full tax credit against the
- 2 tax imposed by the federal unemployment tax act, chapter 23 of
- 3 subtitle C of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. 3301
- **4** to 3311.
- 5 (6)  $\frac{(7)}{(7)}$  For benefit years established before the conver-
- 6 sion date prescribed in section 75, and notwithstanding subdivi-
- 7 sions (1), (2), and (3), the denial of benefits does not prevent
- 8 an individual from completing requalifying weeks in accordance
- 9 with section 29(3) nor does the denial prevent an individual from
- 10 receiving benefits based on service with an employer other than
- 11 an educational institution for any week of unemployment occurring
- 12 between academic years or terms, whether or not successive, or
- 13 during an established and customary vacation period or holiday
- 14 recess, even though the employer is not the most recent charge-
- 15 able employer in the individual's base period. However, in that
- 16 case section 20(b) applies to the sequence of benefit charging,
- 17 except for the employment with the educational institution, and
- 18 section 50(b) applies to the calculation of credit weeks. When a
- 19 denial of benefits under subdivision (1) no longer applies, bene-
- 20 fits shall be charged in accordance with the normal sequence of
- 21 charging as provided in section 20(b).
- 22 (7)  $\overline{(8)}$  For benefit years beginning after the conversion
- 23 date prescribed in section 75, and notwithstanding subdivisions
- 24 (1), (2), and (3), the denial of benefits shall not prevent an
- 25 individual from completing requalifying weeks in accordance with
- 26 section 29(3) nor shall the denial prevent an individual from
- 27 receiving benefits based on service with another base period

- 1 employer other than an educational institution for any week of
- 2 unemployment occurring between academic years or terms, whether
- 3 or not successive, or during an established and customary vaca-
- 4 tion period or holiday recess. However, when benefits are paid
- 5 based on service with 1 or more base period employers other than
- 6 an educational institution, the individual's weekly benefit rate
- 7 shall be calculated in accordance with subsection (b)(1) but
- 8 during the denial period the individual's weekly benefit payment
- 9 shall be reduced by the portion of the payment attributable to
- 10 base period wages paid by an educational institution and the
- 11 account or experience account of the educational institution
- 12 shall not be charged for benefits payable to the individual.
- 13 When a denial of benefits under subdivision (1) is no longer
- 14 applicable, benefits shall be paid and charged on the basis of
- 15 base period wages with each of the base period employers includ-
- 16 ing the educational institution.
- 17 (8)  $\frac{(9)}{}$  For the purposes of this subsection, "academic
- 18 year" means that period, as defined by the educational institu-
- 19 tion, when classes are in session for that length of time
- 20 required for students to receive sufficient instruction or earn
- 21 sufficient credit to complete academic requirements for a partic-
- 22 ular grade level or to complete instruction in a noncredit
- 23 course.
- 24 (9) <del>(10) Benefits</del> IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBDIVISIONS (1),
- 25 (2), AND (3), BENEFITS FOR ANY WEEK OF UNEMPLOYMENT shall be
- 26 denied , as provided in subdivisions (1), (2), and (3), for any
- 27 week of unemployment beginning on and after April 1, 1984, to an

- 1 individual who performed those services DESCRIBED IN
- 2 SUBDIVISION (1), (2), OR (3) in an educational institution while
- 3 in the employ of an educational service agency. For the purpose
- 4 of this subdivision, "educational service agency" means a govern-
- 5 mental agency or governmental entity that is established and
- 6 operated exclusively for the purpose of providing the services to
- 7 1 or more educational institutions.
- 8 (j) For weeks of unemployment beginning after December 31,
- 9 1977, benefits BENEFITS shall not be paid to an individual on
- 10 the basis of any base period services, substantially all of which
- 11 consist of participating in sports or athletic events or training
- 12 or preparing to <del>so</del> participate, for a week that commences
- 13 during the period between 2 successive sport seasons or similar
- 14 periods if the individual performed the services in the first of
- 15 the seasons or similar periods and there is a reasonable assur-
- 16 ance that the individual will perform the services in the later
- 17 of the seasons or similar periods.
- 18 (k)(1) For weeks of unemployment beginning after
- 19 December 31, 1977, benefits BENEFITS shall not be payable on the
- 20 basis of services performed by an alien unless the alien is an
- 21 individual who was lawfully admitted for permanent residence at
- 22 the time the services were performed, was lawfully present for
- 23 the purpose of performing the services, or was permanently resid-
- 24 ing in the United States under color of law at the time the serv-
- 25 ices were performed, including an alien who was lawfully present
- 26 in the United States under <del>section 203(a)(7) or</del> section

- 1 212(d)(5) of the immigration and nationality act, CHAPTER 477, 66
- 2 STAT. 182, 8 U.S.C. 1153 and 1182.
- 3 (2) Any data or information required of individuals applying
- 4 for benefits to determine whether benefits are payable because of
- 5 their alien status are uniformly required from all applicants for
- 6 benefits.
- 7 (3) Where an individual whose application for benefits would
- 8 otherwise be approved, a determination that benefits to that
- 9 individual are not payable because of the individual's alien
- 10 status shall not be made except upon a preponderance of the
- 11 evidence.
- 12 (m)(1) An individual filing a new claim for unemployment
- 13 compensation under this act, after September 30, 1982, at the
- 14 time of filing the claim, shall disclose whether the individual
- 15 owes child support obligations as defined in this subsection. If
- 16 an individual discloses that he or she owes child support obliga-
- 17 tions and is determined to be eligible for unemployment compensa-
- 18 tion, the commission shall notify the state or local child sup-
- 19 port enforcement agency enforcing the obligation that the indi-
- 20 vidual has been determined to be eligible for unemployment
- 21 compensation.
- 22 (2) Notwithstanding section 30, the commission shall deduct
- 23 and withhold from any unemployment compensation payable to an
- 24 individual who owes child support obligations by using whichever
- 25 of the following methods results in the greatest amount:
- 26 (a) The amount, if any, specified by the individual to be
- 27 deducted and withheld under this subdivision.

1 (b) The amount, if any, determined pursuant to an agreement

- 2 submitted to the commission under section 454(19)(B)(i) of part D
- 3 of title IV of the social security act, -chapter 531, 49
- 4 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 654, by the state or local child support
- 5 enforcement agency.
- 6 (c) Any amount otherwise required to be <del>so</del> deducted and
- 7 withheld from unemployment compensation pursuant to legal pro-
- 8 cess, as that term is defined in section 462(e) of part D of
- 9 title IV of the social security act, -chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620,
- 10 42 U.S.C. 662, properly served upon the commission.
- 11 (3) The amount of unemployment compensation subject to
- 12 deduction under subdivision (2) is that portion that remains pay-
- 13 able to the individual after application of the recoupment provi-
- 14 sions of section 62(a) and the reduction provisions of
- 15 subsections (c) and (f).
- 16 (4) Any amount deducted and withheld under subdivision (2)
- 17 shall be paid by the commission to the appropriate state or local
- 18 child support enforcement agency.
- 19 (5) Any amount deducted and withheld under subdivision (2)
- 20 shall be treated for all purposes as if it were paid to the indi-
- 21 vidual as unemployment compensation and paid by the individual to
- 22 the state or local child support enforcement agency in satisfac-
- 23 tion of the individual's child support obligations.
- 24 (6) This subsection applies only if the state or local child
- 25 support enforcement agency agrees in writing to reimburse and
- 26 does reimburse the commission for the administrative costs
- 27 incurred by the commission under this subsection that are

- 1 attributable to child support obligations being enforced by the
- 2 state or local child support enforcement agency. The administra-
- 3 tive costs incurred shall be determined by the commission. The
- 4 commission, in its discretion, may require payment of administra-
- 5 tive costs in advance.
- **6** (7) As used in this subsection:
- 7 (a) "Unemployment compensation", for purposes of
- 8 subdivisions (1) through (5), means any compensation payable
- 9 under this act, including amounts payable by the commission pur-
- 10 suant to an agreement under any federal law providing for compen-
- 11 sation, assistance, or allowances with respect to unemployment.
- 12 (b) "Child support obligations" includes only obligations
- 13 that are being enforced pursuant to a plan described in
- 14 section 454 of part D of title IV of the social security act,
- 15 chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 654, that has been
- 16 approved by the secretary of health and human services under
- 17 part D of title IV of the social security act, chapter 531, 49
- **18** Stat. 620, 42 U.S.C. 651 to <del>669</del> 655, 656 TO 660, AND 663 TO
- **19** 669b.
- 20 (c) "State or local child support enforcement agency" means
- 21 any agency of this state or a political subdivision of this state
- 22 operating pursuant to a plan described in subparagraph (b).
- 23 (n) Subsection (i)(2) applies to services performed by
- 24 school bus drivers employed by a private contributing employer
- 25 holding a contractual relationship with an educational institu-
- 26 tion, but only if at least 75% of the individual's base period

1 wages with that employer are attributable to services performed

- 2 as a school bus driver.
- 3 (o)(1) For weeks of unemployment beginning after July 1,
- 4 1996, unemployment benefits based on services by a seasonal
- 5 worker performed in seasonal employment shall be payable only for
- 6 weeks of unemployment that occur during the normal seasonal work
- 7 period. Benefits shall not be paid based on services performed
- 8 in seasonal employment for any week of unemployment beginning
- 9 after the effective date of this subdivision MARCH 28, 1996
- 10 that begins during the period between 2 successive normal sea-
- 11 sonal work periods to any individual if that individual performs
- 12 the service in the first of the normal seasonal work periods and
- 13 if there is a reasonable assurance that the individual will per-
- 14 form the service for a seasonal employer in the second of the
- 15 normal seasonal work periods. If benefits are denied to an indi-
- 16 vidual for any week solely as a result of this subsection and the
- 17 individual is not offered an opportunity to perform in the second
- 18 normal seasonal work period for which reasonable assurance of
- 19 employment had been given, the individual is entitled to a retro-
- 20 active payment of benefits under this subsection for each week
- 21 that the individual previously filed a timely claim for
- 22 benefits. An individual may apply for any retroactive benefits
- 23 under this subsection in accordance with R 421.210 of the
- 24 Michigan administrative code.
- 25 (2) Not less than 20 days before the estimated beginning
- 26 date of a normal seasonal work period, an employer may apply to
- 27 the commission in writing for designation as a seasonal

- 1 employer. At the time of application, the employer shall
- 2 conspicuously display a copy of the application on the employer's
- 3 premises. Within 90 days after receipt of the application, the
- 4 commission shall determine if the employer is a seasonal
- 5 employer. A determination or redetermination of the commission
- 6 concerning the status of an employer as a seasonal employer, or a
- 7 decision of a referee or the board of review, or of the courts of
- 8 this state concerning the status of an employer as a seasonal
- 9 employer, which has become final, together with the record there-
- 10 of, may be introduced in any proceeding involving a claim for
- 11 benefits, and the facts found and decision issued in the determi-
- 12 nation, redetermination, or decision shall be conclusive unless
- 13 substantial evidence to the contrary is introduced by or on
- 14 behalf of the claimant.
- 15 (3) If the employer is determined to be a seasonal employer,
- 16 the employer shall conspicuously display on its premises a notice
- 17 of the determination and the beginning and ending dates of the
- 18 employer's normal seasonal work periods. The notice shall be
- 19 furnished by the commission. The notice shall additionally spec-
- 20 ify that an employee must timely apply for unemployment benefits
- 21 at the end of a first seasonal work period to preserve his or her
- 22 right to receive retroactive unemployment benefits in the event
- 23 that he or she is not reemployed by the seasonal employer in the
- 24 second of the normal seasonal work periods.
- 25 (4) The commission may issue a determination terminating an
- 26 employer's status as a seasonal employer on the commission's own
- 27 motion for good cause, or upon the written request of the

- 1 employer. A termination determination under this subdivision
- 2 terminates an employer's status as a seasonal employer, and shall

- 3 become effective on the beginning date of the normal seasonal
- 4 work period that would have immediately followed the date the
- 5 commission issues the determination. A determination under this
- 6 subdivision is subject to review in the same manner and to the
- 7 same extent as any other determination under this act.
- **8** (5) An employer whose status as a seasonal employer is ter-
- 9 minated under subdivision (4) may not reapply for a seasonal
- 10 employer status determination until after a regularly recurring
- 11 normal seasonal work period has begun and ended.
- 12 (6) If a seasonal employer informs an employee who received
- 13 assurance of being rehired that, despite the assurance, the
- 14 employee will not be rehired at the beginning of the employer's
- 15 next normal seasonal work period, this subsection shall not pre-
- 16 vent the employee from receiving unemployment benefits in the
- 17 same manner and to the same extent he or she would receive bene-
- 18 fits under this act from an employer who has not been determined
- 19 to be a seasonal employer.
- 20 (7) A successor of a seasonal employer is considered to be a
- 21 seasonal employer unless the successor provides the commission,
- 22 within 120 days after the transfer, with a written request for
- 23 termination of its status as a seasonal employer in accordance
- 24 with subdivision (4).
- 25 (8) At the time an employee is hired by a seasonal employer,
- 26 the employer shall notify the employee in writing whether the
- 27 employee will be a seasonal worker. The employer shall provide

- 1 the worker with written notice of any subsequent change in the
- 2 employee's status as a seasonal worker. If an employee of a sea-
- 3 sonal employer is denied benefits because that employee is a sea-
- 4 sonal worker, the employee may contest that designation in
- 5 accordance with section 32a.
- **6** (9) As used in this subsection:
- 7 (a) "Construction industry" means the work activity desig-
- 8 nated in major groups 15, 16, and 17 of the standard industrial
- 9 classification manual, United States office of management and
- 10 budget, 1987 edition SECTOR GROUP 23 -- CONSTRUCTION OF THE
- 11 NORTH AMERICAN CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM -- UNITED STATES OFFICE OF
- 12 MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, 1997 EDITION.
- (b) "Normal seasonal work period" means that period or those
- 14 periods of time determined pursuant to rules promulgated by the
- 15 commission during which an individual is employed in seasonal
- 16 employment.
- 17 (c) "Seasonal employment" means the employment of 1 or more
- 18 individuals primarily hired to perform services in an industry,
- 19 other than the construction industry, that does either of the
- 20 following:
- 21 (1) Customarily operates during regularly recurring periods
- 22 of 26 weeks or less in any 52-consecutive-week period.
- 23 (2) Customarily employs at least 50% of its employees for
- 24 regularly recurring periods of 26 weeks or less within a period
- 25 of 52 consecutive weeks.
- 26 (d) "Seasonal employer" means an employer, other than an
- 27 employer in the construction industry, who applies to the

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- 1 commission for designation as a seasonal employer and who the
- 2 commission determines to be an employer whose operations and
- 3 business are substantially engaged in seasonal employment.
- 4 (e) "Seasonal worker" means a worker who has been paid wages
- 5 by a seasonal employer for work performed only during the normal
- 6 seasonal work period.
- 7 (10) If this subsection is found by the United States
- 8 department of labor to be contrary to the federal unemployment
- 9 tax act, chapter 23 of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26
- 10 U.S.C. 3301 to 3311, or the social security act, chapter 531, 49
- 11 Stat. 620, and if conformity with the federal law is required as
- 12 a condition for full tax credit against the tax imposed under the
- 13 federal unemployment tax act or as a condition for receipt by the
- 14 commission of federal administrative grant funds under the social
- 15 security act, this subsection shall be invalid.
- 16 (p) Benefits shall not be paid to an individual based upon
- 17 his or her services as a school crossing guard for any week of
- 18 unemployment that begins between 2 successive academic years or
- 19 terms, if that individual performs the services of a school
- 20 crossing guard in the first of the academic years or terms and
- 21 has a reasonable assurance that he or she will perform those
- 22 services in the second of the academic years or terms.
- Sec. 29. (1) An individual is disqualified from receiving
- 24 benefits if he or she:
- 25 (a) Left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to
- 26 the employer or employing unit. AN INDIVIDUAL WHO LEFT WORK IS
- 27 PRESUMED TO HAVE LEFT WORK VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE

- 1 ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE EMPLOYER OR EMPLOYING UNIT. AN INDIVIDUAL
- 2 CLAIMING BENEFITS UNDER THIS ACT HAS THE BURDEN OF PROOF TO
- 3 ESTABLISH THAT HE OR SHE LEFT WORK INVOLUNTARILY OR FOR GOOD
- 4 CAUSE THAT WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE EMPLOYER OR EMPLOYING UNIT.
- 5 However, if the individual has an established benefit year in
- 6 effect and during that benefit year leaves unsuitable work within
- 7 60 days after the beginning of that work, the leaving does not
- 8 disqualify the individual.
- 9 (b) Was SUSPENDED OR discharged for misconduct connected
- 10 with the individual's work or for intoxication while at work.
- 11 unless the discharge was subsequently reduced to a disciplinary
- 12 layoff or suspension.
- 13 (c) Failed without good cause to apply for available suit-
- 14 able work after receiving from the employment office or the com-
- 15 mission notice of the availability of that work.
- 16 (d) Failed without good cause while unemployed to report to
- 17 the individual's former employer or employing unit within a rea-
- 18 sonable time after that employer or employing unit provided
- 19 notice of the availability of an interview concerning available
- 20 suitable work with the former employer or employing unit.
- 21 (e) Failed without good cause to accept suitable work
- 22 offered to the individual or to return to the individual's cus-
- 23 tomary self-employment, if any, when directed by the employment
- 24 office or the commission. AN EMPLOYER THAT RECEIVES A MONETARY
- 25 DETERMINATION UNDER SECTION 32 MAY NOTIFY THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY
- 26 REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF SUITABLE WORK WITH THE EMPLOYER ON
- 27 THE MONETARY DETERMINATION OR OTHER FORM PROVIDED BY THE

- 1 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY. UPON RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE OF THE
- 2 AVAILABILITY OF SUITABLE WORK, THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY SHALL
- 3 NOTIFY THE CLAIMANT OF THE AVAILABILITY OF SUITABLE WORK.
- 4 (f) Lost his or her job due to absence from work resulting

- 5 from a violation of law for which the individual was convicted
- 6 and sentenced to jail or prison. This subdivision does not apply
- 7 if conviction of an individual results in a sentence to county
- 8 jail under conditions of day parole as provided in Act No. 60 of
- 9 the Public Acts of 1962, being sections 801.251 to 801.258 of the
- 10 Michigan Compiled Laws 1962 PA 60, MCL 801.251 TO 801.258, or if
- 11 the conviction was for a traffic violation that resulted in an
- 12 absence of less than 10 consecutive work days from the
- 13 individual's place of employment.
- 14 (g) Is discharged, whether or not the discharge is subse-
- 15 quently reduced to a disciplinary layoff or suspension, for par-
- 16 ticipation in either of the following:
- 17 (i) A strike or other concerted action in violation of an
- 18 applicable collective bargaining agreement that results in cur-
- 19 tailment of work or restriction of or interference with
- 20 production.
- 21 (ii) A wildcat strike or other concerted action not autho-
- 22 rized by the individual's recognized bargaining representative.
- 23 (h) Was discharged for an act of assault and battery con-
- 24 nected with the individual's work.
- 25 (i) Was discharged for theft connected with the individual's
- 26 work.

- 1 (j) Was discharged for willful destruction of property2 connected with the individual's work.
- 3 (k) Committed a theft after receiving notice of a layoff or
  4 discharge, but before the effective date of the layoff or discharge, resulting in loss or damage to the employer who would

- otherwise be chargeable for the benefits, regardless of whetherthe individual qualified for the benefits before the theft.
- 8 (1) Was employed by a temporary help firm, which as used in 9 this section means an employer whose primary business is to pro-10 vide a client with the temporary services of 1 or more individu-11 als under contract with the employer, to perform services for a 12 client of that firm if each of the following conditions is met:
- (i) The temporary help firm provided the employee with a
  written notice before the employee began performing services for
  the client stating in substance both of the following:
- 16 (A) That within 7 days after completing services for a
  17 client of the temporary help firm, the employee is under a duty
  18 to notify the temporary help firm of the completion of those
  19 services.
- 20 (B) That a failure to provide the temporary help firm with
  21 notice of the employee's completion of services pursuant to
  22 sub-subparagraph (A) constitutes a voluntary quit that will
  23 affect the employee's eligibility for unemployment compensation
  24 should the employee seek unemployment compensation following completion of those services.
- 26 (ii) The employee did not provide the temporary help firm 27 with notice that the employee had completed his or her services

- 1 for the client within 7 days after completion of his or her
- 2 services for the client.
- 3 (m) Was discharged for (i) Illegally ingesting, injecting,
- 4 inhaling, or possessing a controlled substance on the premises of

- ${f 5}$  the employer, (ii) Refusing to submit to a drug test that was
- 6 required to be administered in a nondiscriminatory manner, or
- 7 (iii) Testing positive on a drug test, if the test was adminis-
- 8 tered in a nondiscriminatory manner. If the worker disputes the
- 9 result of the testing, a generally accepted confirmatory test
- 10 shall be administered and shall also indicate a positive result
- 11 for the presence of a controlled substance before a disqualifica-
- 12 tion of the worker under this subdivision. As used in this
- 13 subdivision:
- 14 (A) "Controlled substance" means that term as defined in
- 15 section 7104 of the public health code, Act No. 368 of the
- 16 Public Acts of 1978, being section 333.7104 of the Michigan
- 17 Compiled Laws 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7104.
- 18 (B) "Drug test" means a test designed to detect the illegal
- 19 use of a controlled substance.
- 20 (C) "Nondiscriminatory manner" means administered impar-
- 21 tially and objectively in accordance with a collective bargaining
- 22 agreement, rule, policy, a verbal or written notice, or a
- 23 labor-management contract.
- (n) Has an income exceeding \$100,000.00 for the calendar
- 25 year in which he or she applies for benefits. This subdivision
- 26 shall not take effect unless both of the following occur:

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         (i) Within 30 days of the effective date of the act that
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    added subdivision (l), the governor requests from the United
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    States department of labor a determination confirming whether
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    this subdivision is in conformity with the federal unemployment
    tax act, chapter 23, of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26
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    U.S.C. 3301 to 3311 and the social security act, 49 Stat. 620,
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    and whether conformity with those federal acts is a condition for
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    a full tax credit against the tax imposed under the federal unem-
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    ployment tax act (FUTA), or is a condition for state receipt of
    federal administrative grant funds under the social security
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         (ii) The United States department of labor determines that
    this subdivision is in conformity with the acts described in sub-
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    paragraph (i), or verifies that conformity with those federal
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    acts is not a condition for a tax credit or a grant described in
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    subparagraph (i).
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         (2) A disqualification under subsection (1) begins the week
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    in which the act or discharge that caused the disqualification
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    occurs and continues until the disqualified individual requali-
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    fies under subsection (3), except that for benefit years begin-
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    ning before the conversion date prescribed in section 75, the
    disqualification does not prevent the payment of benefits if
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    there are credit weeks, other than multiemployer credit weeks,
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    after the most recent disqualifying act or discharge.
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         (3) After the week in which the disqualifying act or dis-
    charge described in subsection (1) occurs, an individual who
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- 1 seeks to requalify for benefits is subject to all of the
- 2 following:
- 3 (a) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 4 described in section 75, the individual shall complete 6 requali-
- 5 fying weeks if he or she was disqualified under
- **6** subsection (1)(c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (l), or 13 requalifying
- 7 weeks if he or she was disqualified under subsection (1)(h), (i),
- 8 (j), (k), or (m). A requalifying week required under this sub-
- 9 section shall be each week in which the individual does any of
- 10 the following:
- 11 (i) Earns or receives remuneration in an amount at least
- 12 equal to an amount needed to earn a credit week, as that term is
- 13 defined in section 50.
- 14 (ii) Otherwise meets all of the requirements of this act to
- 15 receive a benefit payment if the individual were not disqualified
- 16 under subsection (1).
- 17 (iii) Receives a benefit payment based on credit weeks sub-
- 18 sequent to the disqualifying act or discharge.
- 19 (b) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 20 prescribed in section 75, if the individual is disqualified under
- 21 subsection (1)(a) or (b), he or she shall requalify, after the
- 22 week in which the disqualifying discharge occurred by earning in
- 23 employment for an employer liable under this act or the unemploy-
- 24 ment compensation act of another state an amount equal to, or in
- 25 excess of, 7 times the individual's potential weekly benefit
- 26 rate, calculated on the basis of employment with the employer
- 27 involved in the disqualification, or by earning in employment for

- 1 an employer liable under this act or the unemployment
- 2 compensation act of another state an amount equal to, or in
- 3 excess of, 40 times the state minimum hourly wage times 7, which-
- 4 ever is the lesser amount.
- 5 (c) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 6 prescribed in section 75, a benefit payable to an individual dis-
- 7 qualified under subsection (1)(a) or (b), shall be charged to the
- 8 nonchargeable benefits account, and not to the account of the
- 9 employer with whom the individual was involved in the
- 10 disqualification.
- 11 (d) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 12 prescribed in section 75, subsequent to the week in which the
- 13 disqualifying act or discharge occurred, an individual shall com-
- 14 plete  $\frac{-6}{}$  13 requalifying weeks if he or she was disqualified
- **15** under subsection (1)(c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (l), or  $\frac{-13}{26}$
- 16 requalifying weeks if he or she was disqualified under
- 17 subsection (1)(h), (i), (j), (k), or (m). A requalifying week
- 18 required under this subsection shall be each week in which the
- 19 individual does any of the following:
- 20 (i) Earns or receives remuneration in an amount equal to at
- 21 least 1/13 of the minimum amount needed in a calendar quarter of
- 22 the base period for an individual to qualify for benefits,
- 23 rounded down to the nearest whole dollar.
- (ii) Otherwise meets all of the requirements of this act to
- 25 receive a benefit payment if the individual were not disqualified
- 26 under subsection (1).

- 1 (e) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 2 prescribed in section 75 AND BEGINNING BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE
- ${f 3}$  OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED SECTION 13l, if the individual
- 4 is disqualified under subsection (1)(a) or (b), he or she shall
- 5 requalify, after the week in which the disqualifying act or dis-
- 6 charge occurred by earning in employment for an employer liable
- 7 under this act or the unemployment compensation law of another
- 8 state at least the lesser of the following:
- 9 (i) Seven times the individual's weekly benefit rate.
- 10 (ii) Forty times the state minimum hourly wage times 7.
- 11 (F) FOR BENEFIT YEARS BEGINNING AFTER THE CONVERSION DATE
- 12 PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 75 AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 13 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED SECTION 13l, IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS DIS-
- 14 QUALIFIED UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(A), HE OR SHE SHALL REQUALIFY,
- 15 AFTER THE WEEK IN WHICH THE DISQUALIFYING ACT OR DISCHARGE
- 16 OCCURRED BY EARNING IN EMPLOYMENT FOR AN EMPLOYER LIABLE UNDER
- 17 THIS ACT OR THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION LAW OF ANOTHER STATE AT
- 18 LEAST 12 TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT RATE.
- 19 (G) FOR BENEFIT YEARS BEGINNING AFTER THE CONVERSION DATE
- 20 PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 75 AND AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 21 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED SECTION 13l, IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS DIS-
- 22 QUALIFIED UNDER SUBSECTION (1)(B), HE OR SHE SHALL REQUALIFY,
- 23 AFTER THE WEEK IN WHICH THE DISQUALIFYING ACT OR DISCHARGE
- 24 OCCURRED BY EARNING IN EMPLOYMENT FOR AN EMPLOYER LIABLE UNDER
- 25 THIS ACT OR THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION LAW OF ANOTHER STATE AT
- 26 LEAST 17 TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT RATE.

- 1 (H)  $\overline{\text{(f)}}$  A benefit payable to the individual disqualified
- 2 or separated under disqualifying circumstances under
- 3 subsection (1)(a) or (b), shall be charged to the nonchargeable
- 4 benefits account, and not to the account of the employer with
- 5 whom the individual was involved in the separation. Benefits
- 6 payable to an individual determined by the commission to be sepa-
- 7 rated under disqualifying circumstances shall not be charged to
- 8 the account of the employer involved in the disqualification for
- 9 any period after the employer notifies the commission of the
- 10 claimant's possible ineligibility or disqualification. If a dis-
- 11 qualifying act or discharge occurs during the individual's bene-
- 12 fit year, any benefits that may become payable to the individual
- 13 in a later benefit year based on employment with the employer
- 14 involved in the disqualification shall be charged to the non-
- 15 chargeable benefits account.
- 16 (4) The maximum amount of benefits otherwise available under
- 17 section 27(d) to an individual disqualified under subsection (1)
- 18 is subject to all of the following conditions:
- 19 (a) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 20 prescribed in section 75, if the individual is disqualified under
- 21 subsection (1)(c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (l) and the maximum
- 22 amount of benefits is based on wages and credit weeks earned from
- 23 an employer before an act or discharge involving that employer,
- 24 the amount shall be reduced by an amount equal to the
- 25 individual's weekly benefit rate as to that employer multiplied
- 26 by the lesser of either of the following:

- $oldsymbol{1}$  (i) The number of requalifying weeks required of the
- 2 individual under this section.
- $\mathbf{3}$  (ii) The number of weeks of benefit entitlement remaining
- 4 with that employer.
- 5 (b) If the individual has insufficient or no potential bene-
- 6 fit entitlement remaining with the employer involved in the dis-
- 7 qualification in the benefit year in existence on the date of the
- 8 disqualifying determination, a reduction of benefits described in
- 9 this subsection shall apply in a succeeding benefit year with
- 10 respect to any benefit entitlement based upon credit weeks earned
- 11 with the employer before the disqualifying act or discharge.
- 12 (c) For benefit years established before the conversion date
- 13 prescribed in section 75, an individual disqualified under sub-
- 14 section (1)(h), (i), (j), (k), or (m) is not entitled to benefits
- 15 based on wages and credit weeks earned before the disqualifying
- 16 act or discharge with the employer involved in the
- 17 disqualification.
- 18 (d) The benefit entitlement of an individual disqualified
- 19 under subsection (1)(a) or (b) is not subject to reduction as a
- 20 result of that disqualification.
- 21 (e) A denial or reduction of benefits under this subsection
- 22 does not apply to benefits based upon multiemployer credit
- 23 weeks.
- 24 (f) For benefit years established after the conversion date
- 25 prescribed in section 75, if the individual is disqualified under
- 26 subsection (1)(c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (l), the maximum number
- 27 of weeks otherwise applicable in calculating benefits for the

- 1 individual under section 27(d) shall be reduced by the lesser of
- 2 the following:
- 3 (i) The number of requalifying weeks required of the indi-
- 4 vidual under this subsection.
- 5 (ii) The number of weeks of benefit entitlement remaining on
- 6 the claim.
- 7 (g) For benefit years beginning after the conversion date
- 8 prescribed in section 75, the benefits of an individual disquali-
- 9 fied under subsection (1)(h), (i), (j), (k), or (m) shall be
- 10 reduced by 13 weeks and any weekly benefit payments made to the
- 11 claimant thereafter shall be reduced by the portion of the pay-
- 12 ment attributable to base period wages paid by the base period
- 13 employer involved in a disqualification under subsection (1)(h),
- **14** (i), (j), (k), or (m).
- 15 (5) If an individual leaves work to accept permanent
- 16 full-time work with another employer and performs services for
- 17 that employer, or if an individual leaves work to accept a recall
- 18 from a former employer:
- 19 (a) Subsection (1) does not apply.
- 20 (b) Wages earned with the employer whom the individual last
- 21 left, including wages previously transferred under this subsec-
- 22 tion to the last employer, for the purpose of computing and
- 23 charging benefits, are wages earned from the employer with whom
- 24 the individual accepted work or recall, and benefits paid based
- 25 upon those wages shall be charged to that employer.
- (c) When issuing a determination covering the period of
- 27 employment with a new or former employer described in this

- 1 subsection, the commission shall advise the chargeable employer
- 2 of the name and address of the other employer, the period covered
- 3 by the employment, and the extent of the benefits that may be
- 4 charged to the account of the chargeable employer.
- 5 (6) In determining whether work is suitable for an individu-
- 6 al, the commission shall consider the degree of risk involved to
- 7 the individual's health, safety, and morals, the individual's
- 8 physical fitness and prior training, the individual's length of
- 9 unemployment and prospects for securing local work in the
- 10 individual's customary occupation, and the distance of the avail-
- 11 able work from the individual's residence. Additionally, the
- 12 commission shall consider the individual's experience and prior
- 13 earnings, subject to the following limitation:
- 14 (a) An BUT AN UNEMPLOYED individual unemployed for 1 to 12
- 15 weeks who refuses an offer of work determined to be suitable
- 16 under this section shall be denied benefits if the pay rate for
- 17 that work is at least 80% 70% of the gross pay rate he or she
- 18 received immediately before becoming unemployed.
- (b) An individual unemployed for 13 to 20 weeks who refuses
- 20 an offer of work determined to be suitable under this section
- 21 shall be denied benefits if the pay rate for that work is at
- 22 least 75% of the gross pay rate he or she received immediately
- 23 before becoming unemployed.
- 24 (c) An individual unemployed for more than 20 weeks who
- 25 refuses an offer of work determined to be suitable under this
- 26 section shall be denied benefits if the pay rate for that work is

- 1 at least 70% of the gross pay rate he or she received immediately
- 2 before becoming unemployed.
- 3 (7) Work is not suitable and benefits shall not be denied
- 4 under this act to an otherwise eligible individual for refusing
- 5 to accept new work under any of the following conditions:
- 6 (a) If the position offered is vacant due directly to a
- 7 strike, lockout, or other labor dispute.
- 8 (b) If the remuneration, hours, or other conditions of the
- 9 work offered are substantially less favorable to the individual
- 10 than those prevailing for similar work in the locality.
- 11 (c) If as a condition of being employed, the individual
- 12 would be required to join a company union or to resign from or
- 13 refrain from joining a bona fide labor organization.
- 14 (8) All of the following apply to an individual who seeks
- 15 benefits under this act:
- 16 (a) An individual is disqualified from receiving benefits
- 17 for a week in which the individual's total or partial unemploy-
- 18 ment is due to either of the following:
- (i) A labor dispute in active progress at the place at which
- 20 the individual is or was last employed, or a shutdown or start-up
- 21 operation caused by that labor dispute.
- (ii) A labor dispute, other than a lockout, in active
- 23 progress or a shutdown or start-up operation caused by that labor
- 24 dispute in any other establishment within the United States that
- 25 is both functionally integrated with the establishment described
- 26 in subparagraph (i) and operated by the same employing unit.

85 1 (b) An individual's disqualification imposed or imposable under this subsection is terminated if the individual performs 2 3 services in employment with an employer in at least 2 consecutive weeks falling wholly within the period of the individual's total 4 5 or partial unemployment due to the labor dispute, and in addition earns wages in each of those weeks in an amount equal to or 6 greater than the individual's actual or potential weekly benefit 7 rate with respect to those weeks based on the individual's 8

employment with the employer involved in the labor dispute. 9

(c) An individual is not disqualified under this subsection 10 if the individual is not directly involved in the labor dispute. 11 An individual is not directly involved in a labor dispute unless 12 any of the following are established: 13

(i) At the time or in the course of a labor dispute in the establishment in which the individual was then employed, the individual in concert with 1 or more other employees voluntarily stopped working other than at the direction of the individual's employing unit.

(ii) The individual is participating in, financing, or 19 directly interested in the labor dispute that causes the 20 individual's total or partial unemployment. The payment of regu-21 lar union dues, in amounts and for purposes established before 22 23 the inception of the labor dispute, is not financing a labor dispute within the meaning of this subparagraph. 24

(iii) At any time a labor dispute in the establishment or 25 26 department in which the individual was employed does not exist, 27 and the individual voluntarily stops working, other than at the

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- 1 direction of the individual's employing unit, in sympathy with
- 2 employees in some other establishment or department in which a
- 3 labor dispute is in progress.
- 4 (iv) The individual's total or partial unemployment is due
- 5 to a labor dispute that was or is in progress in a department,
- 6 unit, or group of workers in the same establishment.
- 7 (d) As used in this subsection, "directly interested" shall
- 8 be construed and applied so as not to disqualify individuals
- 9 unemployed as a result of a labor dispute the resolution of which
- 10 may not reasonably be expected to affect their wages, hours, or
- 11 other conditions of employment, and to disqualify individuals
- 12 whose wages, hours, or conditions of employment may reasonably be
- 13 expected to be affected by the resolution of the labor dispute.
- 14 A "reasonable expectation" of an effect on an individual's wages,
- 15 hours, or other conditions of employment exists, in the absence
- 16 of a substantial preponderance of evidence to the contrary, in
- 17 any of the following situations:
- 18 (i) If it is established that there is in the particular
- 19 establishment or employing unit a practice, custom, or contrac-
- 20 tual obligation to extend within a reasonable period to members
- 21 of the individual's grade or class of workers in the establish-
- 22 ment in which the individual is or was last employed changes in
- 23 terms and conditions of employment that are substantially similar
- 24 or related to some or all of the changes in terms and conditions
- 25 of employment that are made for the workers among whom there
- 26 exists the labor dispute that has caused the individual's total
- 27 or partial unemployment.

- $\mathbf{1}$  (ii) If it is established that 1 of the issues in or
- 2 purposes of the labor dispute is to obtain a change in the terms

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- 3 and conditions of employment for members of the individual's
- 4 grade or class of workers in the establishment in which the indi-
- 5 vidual is or was last employed.
- 6 (iii) If a collective bargaining agreement covers both the
- 7 individual's grade or class of workers in the establishment in
- 8 which the individual is or was last employed and the workers in
- 9 another establishment of the same employing unit who are actively
- 10 participating in the labor dispute, and that collective bargain-
- 11 ing agreement is subject by its terms to modification, supplemen-
- 12 tation, or replacement, or has expired or been opened by mutual
- 13 consent at the time of the labor dispute.
- 14 (e) In determining the scope of the grade or class of work-
- 15 ers, evidence of the following is relevant:
- (i) Representation of the workers by the same national or
- 17 international organization or by local affiliates of that
- 18 national or international organization.
- (ii) Whether the workers are included in a single, legally
- 20 designated, or negotiated bargaining unit.
- 21 (iii) Whether the workers are or within the past 6 months
- 22 have been covered by a common master collective bargaining agree-
- 23 ment that sets forth all or any part of the terms and conditions
- 24 of the workers' employment, or by separate agreements that are or
- 25 have been bargained as a part of the same negotiations.
- 26 (iv) Any functional integration of the work performed by
- 27 those workers.

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88 (v) Whether the resolution of those issues involved in the 1 2 labor dispute as to some of the workers could directly or indirectly affect the advancement, negotiation, or settlement of the 3 same or similar issues in respect to the remaining workers. 4 (vi) Whether the workers are currently or have been covered 5 6 by the same or similar demands by their recognized or certified 7 bargaining agent or agents for changes in their wages, hours, or other conditions of employment. 8 9 (vii) Whether issues on the same subject matter as those 10 involved in the labor dispute have been the subject of proposals or demands made upon the employing unit that would by their terms 11 have applied to those workers. 12 13 (9) Except for an individual disqualified under subsection (1)(g), or an individual whose disqualifying discharge under 14 subsection (1)(b) is determined or redetermined to be a disci-15 plinary layoff or suspension, an individual is disqualified from 16 17 receiving benefits for the duration of the individual's disci-18 plinary layoff or suspension if the individual becomes unemployed 19 because of a disciplinary layoff or suspension based upon any of 20 the following: 21

(a) Misconduct directly or indirectly connected with work.

(b) Participation in a strike or other concerted activity resulting in a curtailment of work or restriction of or interference with production contrary to an applicable collective bargaining agreement.

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1 (c) Participation in a wildcat strike or other concerted 2 activity not authorized by the individual's recognized bargaining 3 representative. 4 (10) If a disqualifying discharge under subsection (1)(b) is 5 determined or redetermined to be a suspension, the disqualifica-6 tion provided under subsection (9) applies from the date of the 7 <del>discharge.</del> 8 (9) -(11) Notwithstanding subsections (1) to -(10) (8), if the employing unit submits notice to the commission of possible 9 ineligibility or disqualification beyond the time limits pre-10 scribed by commission rule, the notice shall not form the basis 11 of a determination of ineligibility or disqualification for a 12 13 claim period compensated before the receipt of the notice by the 14 commission. 15 (10)  $\overline{(12)}$  An individual is disqualified from receiving 16 benefits for any week or part of a week in which the individual has received, is receiving, or is seeking unemployment benefits 17 18 under an unemployment compensation law of another state or of the 19 United States. If the appropriate agency of the other state or of the United States finally determines that the individual is 20 21 not entitled to unemployment benefits, the disqualification described in this subsection does not apply. 22 23 Sec. 32. (a) Claims for benefits shall be made pursuant to regulations prescribed by the -commission- UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY. 24

The commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall designate representa-

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tives who promptly shall PROMPTLY examine claims and make a

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- 1 may establish rules providing for the examination of claims, the
- 2 determination of the validity of the claims, and the amount and
- 3 duration of benefits to be paid. The claimant and other inter-
- 4 ested parties promptly shall be PROMPTLY notified of the deter-
- 5 mination and the reasons for the determination.
- (b) (B)(1) For benefit years established before the con-
- 7 version date prescribed in section 75, the commission
- 8 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY may prescribe regulations for notifying and
- 9 shall notify the employer, whose experience account may be
- 10 charged, and the employing unit where the claimant last worked
- 11 that the claimant has filed an application for benefits. The
- 12 notice shall require the employer and employing unit to furnish
- 13 information to the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY necessary to
- 14 determine the claimant's benefit rights.
- 15 (2) Upon receipt of the employer's reports, the <del>commission</del>
- 16 promptly UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall PROMPTLY make a determination
- 17 based upon the available information. The claimant and the
- 18 employer, whose experience account may be charged pursuant to the
- 19 determination, -promptly shall be PROMPTLY notified of the
- 20 determination. The notice shall show the name and account number
- 21 of the employer whose experience account may be charged pursuant
- 22 to the determination, the weekly benefit amount and the maximum
- 23 number of credit weeks against which the claimant may draw bene-
- 24 fits, and whether or not the claimant is eligible and qualified
- 25 to draw benefits. An employer may designate in writing to the
- 26 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY an individual or another
- 27 employer or an employing unit to receive any notice required to

1 be given by the -commission
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- 2 or to represent that employer in any proceeding before the
- 3 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY as provided in section 31.
- 4 (3) If an employer or employing unit fails to respond within
- 5 10 days after mailing of the request for information, the
- 6 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall make a determination upon
- 7 the available information. In the absence of a showing by the
- 8 employer satisfying the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY that the
- 9 employer reasonably could not submit the requested information,
- 10 the determination shall be final as to the noncomplying employer,
- 11 as to benefits paid before the week following the receipt of the
- 12 employer's reply, and chargeable against the employer's
- 13 experience account as a result of the employer's late reply, and
- 14 the payments shall be considered to have been proper payments.
- 15 The -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY may require an employer who
- 16 consistently fails to meet the commission's UNEMPLOYMENT
- 17 AGENCY'S requirements, as to submission of reports covering
- 18 employment of individuals, to provide the reports automatically
- 19 upon the separation of individuals from employment, in the manner
- 20 and within the time limits the -commission- UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY
- 21 prescribes by regulation necessary to carry out this section. An
- 22 employer may be permitted to provide the reports automatically
- 23 upon separation of individuals from employment, in the manner and
- 24 within the time limits prescribed by the -commission-
- 25 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY.
- 26 (4) After an application for benefits is filed, the
- 27 commission's UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY'S determination shall include

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- 1 only the most recent employer. Subsequently, as necessary, the
- 2 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall issue determinations cov-
- 3 ering other base period employers, individually in inverse order
- 4 to that in which the claimant earned his or her last credit week
- 5 with the employers.
- **6** (5) For benefit years established after the conversion date
- 7 prescribed in section 75, the commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY
- 8 shall mail to the claimant, to each base period employer or
- 9 employing unit, and to the separating employer or employing unit,
- 10 a monetary determination. The monetary determination shall
- 11 notify each of these employers or employing units that the claim-
- 12 ant has filed an application for benefits and the amount the
- 13 claimant reported as earned with the separating employer or
- 14 employing unit, and shall state the name of each employer or
- 15 employing unit in the base period and the name of the separating
- 16 employer or employing unit. The monetary determination shall
- 17 also state the claimant's weekly benefit rate, the amount of base
- 18 period wages paid by each base period employer, the maximum bene-
- 19 fit amount that could be charged to each employer's account or
- 20 experience account, and the reason for separation reported by the
- 21 claimant. The monetary determination shall also state whether
- 22 the claimant is monetarily eligible to receive unemployment
- 23 benefits. No EXCEPT FOR SEPARATIONS UNDER SECTION 29(1)(A), NO
- 24 further reconsideration of a separation from any base period
- 25 employer will be made unless the base period employer notifies
- 26 the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY of a possible disqualifying
- 27 separation in accordance with this subsection. Benefits paid in

- 1 accordance with the monetary determination shall be considered
- 2 proper payments and shall not be changed unless the commission
- 3 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY receives new, corrected, or additional infor-
- 4 mation from the employer, within 10 calendar days after the mail-
- 5 ing of the monetary determination, and the information results in
- 6 a change in the monetary determination. New, additional, or cor-
- 7 rected information received by the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT
- 8 AGENCY after the 10-day period shall be considered a request for
- 9 reconsideration by the employer of the monetary determination and
- 10 shall be reviewed as provided in section 32a.
- 11 (6) For the purpose of determining a claimant's nonmonetary
- 12 eligibility and qualification for benefits, if the claimant's
- 13 most recent base period or benefit year separation was for a
- 14 reason other than the lack of work, then a determination shall be
- 15 issued concerning that separation to the claimant and to the sep-
- 16 arating employer. If a claimant is not disqualified based on his
- 17 or her most recent separation from employment and has satisfied
- 18 the requirements of section 29, the <del>commission</del> UNEMPLOYMENT
- 19 AGENCY shall issue a nonmonetary determination as to that separa-
- 20 tion only. If a claimant is not disqualified based on his or her
- 21 most recent separation from employment and has not satisfied the
- 22 requirements of section 29, the <del>commission</del> UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY
- 23 shall issue 1 or more nonmonetary determinations necessary to
- 24 establish the claimant's qualification for benefits based on any
- 25 prior separation in inverse chronological order. The
- 26 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall consider all base period
- 27 separations involving disqualifications under section 29(1)(h),

- 1 (j), (l), or (m) in determining a claimant's nonmonetary
- 2 eligibility and qualification for benefits. An employer may des-
- 3 ignate in writing to the -commission
  UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY an
- 4 individual or another employer or an employing unit to receive
- 5 any notice required to be given by the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT
- 6 AGENCY to that employer or to represent that employer in any pro-
- 7 ceeding before the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY as provided
- 8 in section 31.
- 9 (7) If the <del>commission</del> UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY requests addi-
- 10 tional monetary or nonmonetary information from an employer or
- 11 employing unit and the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY fails to
- 12 receive a written response from the employer or employing unit
- 13 within 10 calendar days after the date of mailing the request for
- 14 information, the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall make a
- 15 determination based upon the available information at the time
- 16 the determination is made. The determination shall be final and
- 17 any payment made shall be considered a proper payment with
- 18 respect to benefits paid before the week following the receipt of
- 19 the employer's reply and chargeable against the employer's
- 20 account or experience account as a result of the employer's late
- 21 reply.
- (c) The claimant or interested party may file an application
- 23 with an office of the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY for a
- 24 redetermination in accordance with section 32a.
- 25 (d) The issuance of each benefit check shall be considered a
- 26 determination by the <del>commission</del> UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY that the
- 27 claimant receiving the check was covered during the compensable

- 1 period, and eligible and qualified for benefits. A chargeable
- 2 employer, upon receipt of a listing of the check as provided in
- 3 section 21(a), may protest by requesting a redetermination as to
- 4 the OF THE CLAIMANT'S eligibility or qualification as to that
- 5 period and a determination as to later weeks and benefits still
- 6 unpaid as THAT are affected by the protest. Upon receipt of
- 7 the protest or request, the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY
- 8 shall investigate and redetermine whether the claimant is eligi-
- 9 ble and qualified as to that period. If, upon the redetermina-
- 10 tion, the claimant is found ineligible or not qualified, the
- 11 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall investigate and determine
- 12 whether the claimant obtained benefits, for 1 or more preceding
- 13 weeks within the series of consecutive weeks -which THAT
- 14 includes the week covered by the redetermination, improperly as
- 15 the result of administrative error, false statement, misrepresen-
- 16 tation, or nondisclosure of a material fact. If the commission
- 17 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY finds that the claimant has obtained benefits
- 18 through administrative error, false statement, misrepresentation,
- 19 or nondisclosure of a material fact, the <del>commission</del>
- 20 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall proceed under the appropriate provi-
- 21 sions of section 62.
- 22 (e) When IF a claimant commences to file continued claims
- 23 through a different state claim office in this state or else-
- 24 where, the -commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY promptly shall issue
- 25 written notice of that fact to the chargeable employer.
- 26 (f) If a claimant refuses an offer of work, or fails to
- 27 apply for work of which the claimant has been notified, as

- 1 provided in section 29(1)(c) or (e), the <del>commission promptly</del>
- 2 UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY shall PROMPTLY make a written determination
- 3 as to whether or not the refusal or failure requires disqualifi-
- 4 cation under section 29. Notice of the determination, specifying
- 5 the name and address of the employing unit offering or giving
- 6 notice of the work and of the chargeable employer, shall be sent
- 7 to the claimant, the employing unit offering or giving notice of
- 8 the work, and the chargeable employer.
- 9 SEC. 32B. (1) NOT LATER THAN 6 MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE
- 10 DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION, THE UNEMPLOY-
- 11 MENT AGENCY SHALL ESTABLISH AND PROVIDE ACCESS TO A SECURE INTER-
- 12 NET SITE TO ENABLE EMPLOYERS TO DETERMINE IF CORRESPONDENCE SENT
- 13 TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY BY THE EMPLOYER HAS BEEN RECEIVED.
- 14 (2) WITHIN 10 DAYS OF RECEIVING A REQUEST FOR REDETERMINA-
- 15 TION OR A PROTEST FROM AN EMPLOYER OR EMPLOYING UNIT, THE UNEM-
- 16 PLOYMENT AGENCY SHALL POST A STATEMENT CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE
- 17 REQUEST FOR REDETERMINATION OR PROTEST FROM THAT EMPLOYER OR
- 18 EMPLOYING UNIT ON THE INTERNET SITE REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION
- **19** (1).
- Sec. 44. (1) "Remuneration" means all compensation paid for
- 21 personal services, including commissions and bonuses, and except
- 22 for agricultural and domestic services, the cash value of all
- 23 compensation payable in a medium other than cash. Any remunera-
- 24 tion payable to an individual that has not been actually received
- 25 by that individual within 21 days after the end of the pay period
- 26 in which the remuneration was earned, shall, for the purposes of
- 27 subsections (2) to (5) and section 46, be considered to have been

- 1 paid on the twenty-first day after the end of that pay period.
- 2 For benefit years beginning after the conversion date prescribed
- 3 in section 75, if back pay is awarded to an individual and is
- 4 allocated by an employer or legal authority to a period of weeks
- 5 within 1 or more calendar quarters, the back pay shall be consid-
- 6 ered paid in that calendar quarter or those calendar quarters for
- 7 purposes of section 46. The reasonable cash value of compensa-
- 8 tion payable in a medium other than cash —, shall be estimated
- 9 and determined in accordance with rules promulgated by the
- 10 commission UNEMPLOYMENT AGENCY. Beginning January 1, 1986,
- 11 remuneration shall include tips actually reported to an employer
- 12 under section 6053(a) of the internal revenue code by an employee
- 13 who receives tip income. Remuneration does not include either of
- 14 the following:
- 15 (a) Money paid an individual by a unit of government for
- 16 services rendered as a member of the national guard of this
- 17 state, or for similar services to any ANOTHER state or the
- 18 United States.
- 19 (b) Money paid by an employer to a worker under a supplemen-
- 20 tal unemployment benefit plan under section 501(c) of the inter-
- 21 nal revenue code OF 1986, regardless of whether the benefits are
- 22 paid from a trust or by the employer.
- 23 (2) "Wages", subject to subsections (3) to (5), means remu-
- 24 neration paid by employers for employment and, beginning January
- 25 1, 1986, includes tips actually reported to an employer under
- 26 section 6053(a) of the internal revenue code by an employee who
- 27 receives tip income. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence,

1 for the period January 1, 1986 through December 31, 1986 for purposes of sections 50 and 51, wages shall include tips only to 2 the extent that they are taken in account by the employer in 3 determining the employee's compensation under the state minimum 4 5 wage law or, where the employer adds a certain percent to the 6 customer's bill as a tip for disbursement to the employees, the 7 dollar amount of the percentage so added. If any provision of this subsection prevents the THIS state from qualifying for any 8 federal interest relief provisions provided under section 1202 of 9 TITLE XII OF the social security act, 42 U.S.C. 1322, or pre-10 vents employers in this state from qualifying for the limitation 11 on the reduction of federal unemployment tax act credits as pro-12 vided under section 3302(f) of the federal unemployment tax act, 13 14 26 U.S.C. 3302, such THAT provision shall be IS invalid to 15 the extent necessary to maintain qualification for such THE 16 interest relief provisions and federal unemployment tax credits. (3) For the purpose of determining the amount of contribu-17 18 tions due from an employer under this act, wages shall be limited by the taxable wage limit applicable under subsection (4). For 19 this purpose, wages shall exclude all remuneration paid within a 20 21 calendar year to an individual by an employing unit after the individual was paid within that year by that employing unit remu-22 23 neration equal to the taxable wage limit on which unemployment taxes were paid or were payable in this STATE and IN any other 24 25 states. If an employing unit, hereinafter referred to as successor, during any calendar year becomes a transferee in a transfer 26 of business as defined in section 22 of another, hereinafter 27

1 referred to as a predecessor, and immediately after the transfer

- 2 employs in his or her trade or business an individual who immedi-
- 3 ately before the transfer was employed in the trade or business
- 4 of the predecessor, then for the purpose of determining whether
- 5 the successor has paid remuneration with respect to employment
- 6 equal to the taxable wage limit to that individual during the
- 7 calendar year, any remuneration with respect to employment paid
- 8 to that individual by the predecessor during the calendar year
- 9 and before the transfer shall be considered as having been paid
- 10 by the successor.
- 11 (4) The taxable wage limit for each calendar year shall be
- 12 \$8,000.00 in the 1983 calendar year, \$8,500.00 in the 1984 calen-
- 13 dar year, \$9,000.00 in the 1985 calendar year, \$9,500.00 in the
- 14 1986 calendar year, and \$9,500.00 for calendar years after 1986
- 15 THROUGH 2002, AND EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSEC-
- 16 TION, \$9,000.00 FOR CALENDAR YEARS AFTER 2002, or the maximum
- 17 amount of remuneration paid within a calendar year by an employer
- 18 subject to the federal unemployment tax act, 26 U.S.C. 3301 to
- 19 3311, to an individual with respect to employment as defined in
- 20 that act that is subject to tax under that act during that year
- 21 for each calendar year, whichever is greater. BEGINNING WITH
- 22 CALENDAR YEAR 2003 AND EACH CALENDAR YEAR AFTER 2003, IF THE
- 23 UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND BALANCE IS \$1,250,000,000.00 OR LESS AS
- 24 DETERMINED ON THE OCTOBER 1 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE CALENDAR
- 25 YEAR, THE TAXABLE WAGE LIMIT FOR THAT CALENDAR YEAR SHALL BE
- 26 \$9,500.00 OR THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF REMUNERATION PAID WITHIN THE
- 27 CALENDAR YEAR BY AN EMPLOYER SUBJECT TO THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT

- 1 TAX ACT, 26 U.S.C. 3301 TO 3311, TO AN INDIVIDUAL WITH RESPECT
- 2 TO EMPLOYMENT AS DEFINED IN THIS ACT THAT IS SUBJECT TO TAX UNDER
- 3 THAT ACT DURING THAT YEAR, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, AS DETERMINED
- 4 INDEPENDENTLY FOR EACH CALENDAR YEAR.
- 5 (5) For the purposes of this act, the term "wages" shall not
- 6 include ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (a) The amount of a payment, including an amount paid by an
- 8 employer for insurance or annuities or into a fund, to provide
- 9 for such a payment, made to, or on behalf of, an employee or any
- 10 of the employee's dependents under a plan or system established
- 11 by an employer that makes provision for the employer's employees
- 12 generally, or for the employer's employees generally and their
- 13 dependents, or for a class or classes of the employer's employ-
- 14 ees, or for a class or classes of the employer's employees and
- 15 their dependents, on account of retirement, sickness or accident
- 16 disability, medical or hospitalization expenses in connection
- 17 with sickness or accident disability, or death.
- 18 (b) A payment made to an employee, including an amount paid
- 19 by an employer for insurance or annuities, or into a fund, to
- 20 provide for such a payment, on account of retirement.
- 21 (c) A payment on account of sickness or accident disability,
- 22 or medical or hospitalization expenses in connection with sick-
- 23 ness or accident disability, made by an employer to, or on behalf
- 24 of, an employee after the expiration of 6 calendar months follow-
- 25 ing the last calendar month in which the employee worked for the
- 26 employer.

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1 (d) A payment made to, or on behalf of, an employee or the

- 2 employee's beneficiary from or to a trust described in section
- 3 401(a) of the internal revenue code OF 1986 that is exempt from
- 4 tax under section 501(a) of the internal revenue code OF 1986 at
- 5 the time of the payment, unless the payment is made to an
- 6 employee of the trust as remuneration for services rendered as an
- 7 employee and not as a beneficiary of the trust, or under or to an
- 8 annuity plan which, at the time of the payment, is a plan
- 9 described in section 403(a) of the internal revenue code OF 1986,
- 10 or under or to a bond purchase plan that at the time of the pay-
- 11 ment, is a qualified bond purchase plan described in FORMER sec-
- 12 tion 405(a) of the internal revenue code.
- 13 (e) The payment by an employer, without deduction from the
- 14 remuneration of the employee, of the tax imposed upon an employee
- 15 under section 3101 of the <u>internal revenue code</u> FEDERAL INSUR-
- 16 ANCE CONTRIBUTIONS ACT, 26 U.S.C. 3101.
- 17 (f) Remuneration paid in any medium other than cash to an
- 18 employee for service not in the course of the employer's trade or
- 19 business.
- 20 (g) A payment, other than vacation or sick pay, made to an
- 21 employee after the month in which the employee attains the age of
- 22 65, if the employee did not work for the employer in the period
- 23 for which the payment is made.
- 24 (h) Remuneration paid to or on behalf of an employee as
- 25 moving expenses if, and to the extent that, at the time of pay-
- 26 ment of the remuneration it is reasonable to believe that a

1 corresponding deduction is allowable under section 217 of the

- 2 internal revenue code OF 1986.
- 3 (6) The amendments made to this section by Act No. 155 of
- 4 the Public Acts of 1977 AMENDATORY ACT 1977 PA 155 shall apply
- 5 to all remuneration paid after December 31, 1977.
- **6** (7) The amendments made in subsection (1) by the amendatory
- 7 act that added this subsection shall first apply to remuneration
- 8 paid after December 31, 1977.
- 9 Sec. 48. (1) An individual shall be <del>deemed "unemployed"</del>
- 10 with respect to CONSIDERED UNEMPLOYED FOR any week during which
- 11 he or she performs no services and with respect to FOR which
- 12 remuneration is not payable to the individual, or with respect
- 13 to FOR any week of less than full-time work if the remuneration
- 14 payable to the individual is less than his or her weekly benefit
- 15 rate. However, any loss of remuneration incurred by an individ-
- 16 ual during any week resulting from any cause other than the fail-
- 17 ure of the individual's employing unit to furnish full-time, reg-
- 18 ular employment shall be included as remuneration earned for pur-
- 19 poses of this section and  $\frac{1}{1}$  section 27(c). The total amount
- 20 of remuneration thus lost shall be determined in such manner
- 21 as PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS PRESCRIBED BY the commission. shall
- 22 by regulation prescribe. For the purposes of this act, an
- 23 individual's weekly benefit rate -shall mean MEANS the weekly
- 24 benefit rate <del>as</del> determined pursuant to section 27(b).
- 25 (2) All amounts paid to a claimant by an employing unit or
- 26 former employing unit for a vacation or a holiday, and amounts
- 27 paid in the form of retroactive pay, -or PAY in lieu of notice,

- 1 SEVERANCE PAYMENTS, SALARY CONTINUATION, OR OTHER REMUNERATION
- 2 INTENDED BY THE EMPLOYING UNIT AS CONTINUING WAGES OR OTHER MONE-
- 3 TARY CONSIDERATION AS THE RESULT OF THE SEPARATION, EXCLUDING SUB
- 4 PAYMENTS AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 44, shall be <del>deemed</del> CONSIDERED
- 5 remuneration in determining whether an individual is unemployed
- 6 under this section and also in determining his or her benefit
- 7 payments under section 27 (c), for the period designated by the
- 8 contract or agreement providing for the payment, or if there is
- 9 no contractual specification of the period to which -such pay-
- 10 ments shall be allocated, then for the period designated by the
- 11 employing unit or former employing unit. However, payments for a
- 12 vacation or holiday, <del>made,</del> or the right to which has irrevoca-
- 13 bly vested, after 14 days following —such—A vacation or holiday
- 14 , and payments in the form of termination, separation, severance
- 15 or dismissal allowances, and bonuses, shall not be deemed
- 16 CONSIDERED wages or remuneration within the meaning of this
- 17 section.
- 18 (3) An individual shall not be <del>deemed</del> CONSIDERED to be
- 19 unemployed during any leave of absence from work granted by an
- 20 employer either at the request of the individual or pursuant to
- 21 an agreement with the individual's duly authorized bargaining
- 22 agent, or in accordance with law. An individual shall neither be
- 23 considered not unemployed nor on a leave of absence solely
- 24 because the individual elects to be laid off, pursuant to an
- 25 option provided under a collective bargaining agreement or writ-
- 26 ten employer plan which THAT permits such AN election, when

- 1 IF there is a temporary layoff because of lack of work —, and
- 2 the employer has consented thereto TO THE ELECTION.
- 3 Sec. 54. (a) A person who willfully violates or intention-
- 4 ally fails to comply with any of the provisions of this act, or a
- 5 regulation of the commission promulgated under the authority of
- 6 this act for which a penalty is not otherwise provided by this
- 7 act is punishable as provided in subdivision (i), (ii), (iii), or
- 8 (iv), notwithstanding any other statute of this state or of the
- 9 United States:
- (i) If the commission determines that an amount has been
- 11 obtained or withheld as a result of the intentional failure to
- 12 comply with this act, the commission may recover the amount
- 13 obtained as a result of the intentional failure to comply plus
- 14 damages equal to 3 times that amount.
- 15 (ii) The commission may refer the matter to the prosecuting
- 16 attorney of the county in which the alleged violation occurred
- 17 for prosecution. If the commission has not made its own determi-
- 18 nation under subdivision (i), the penalty sought by the prosecu-
- 19 tor shall include the amount described in subdivision (i) and
- 20 shall also include 1 or more of the following penalties:
- 21 (A) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 22 result of the intentional failure to comply is less than
- 23 \$25,000.00, then 1 of the following:
- 24 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 1 year.
- 25 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 1
- 26 year but not to exceed 2,080 hours.

- 1 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 1
- 2 year.
- 3 (B) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 4 result of the intentional failure to comply is \$25,000.00 or more
- 5 but less than \$100,000.00, then 1 of the following:
- 6 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 2 years.
- 7 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 2
- 8 years but not to exceed 4,160 hours.
- 9 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 2
- 10 years.
- 11 (C) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 12 result of the intentional failure to comply is more than
- 13 \$100,000.00, then 1 of the following:
- 14 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 5 years.
- 15 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 5
- 16 years but not to exceed 10,400 hours.
- 17 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 5
- 18 years.
- 19 (iii) If the commission determines that an amount has been
- 20 obtained or withheld as a result of a knowing violation of this
- 21 act, the commission may recover the amount obtained as a result
- 22 of the knowing violation and may also recover damages equal to 3
- 23 times that amount.
- 24 (iv) The commission may refer a matter under subdivision
- 25 (iii) to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the
- 26 alleged violation occurred for prosecution. If the commission
- 27 has not made its own determination under subdivision (iii), the

- 1 penalty sought by the prosecutor shall include the amount
- 2 described in subdivision (iii) and shall also include 1 or more
- 3 of the following penalties:
- 4 (A) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 5 result of the knowing violation is \$100,000.00 or less, then 1 of
- 6 the following:
- 7 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 1 year.
- 8 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 1
- 9 year but not to exceed 2,080 hours.
- 10 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 1
- **11** year.
- 12 (B) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 13 result of the knowing violation is more than \$100,000.00, then 1
- 14 of the following:
- 15 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 2 years.
- 16 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 2
- 17 years but not to exceed 4,160 hours.
- 18 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 2
- 19 years.
- 20 (b) Any employing unit or an officer or agent of an employ-
- 21 ing unit, a claimant, an employee of the commission, or any other
- 22 person who makes a false statement or representation knowing it
- 23 to be false, or knowingly and willfully with intent to defraud
- 24 fails to disclose a material fact, to obtain or increase a bene-
- 25 fit or other payment under this act or under the unemployment
- 26 compensation law of any state or of the federal government,
- 27 either for himself or herself or any other person, to prevent or

- 1 reduce the payment of benefits to an individual entitled thereto
- 2 or to avoid becoming or remaining a subject employer, or to avoid
- 3 or reduce a contribution or other payment required from an
- 4 employing unit under this act or under the unemployment compensa-
- 5 tion law of any state or of the federal government, as applica-
- 6 ble, is punishable as follows, notwithstanding any other penal-
- 7 ties imposed under any other statute of this state or of the
- 8 United States:
- **9** (i) If the amount obtained as a result of the knowing false
- 10 statement or representation or the knowing and willful failure to
- 11 disclose a material fact is less than  $\frac{$1,000.00}{}$  \$500.00, the
- 12 commission may recover the amount obtained as a result of the
- 13 knowing false statement or representation or the knowing and
- 14 willful failure to disclose a material fact and may also recover
- 15 damages equal to 2 times that amount.
- 16 (ii) If the amount obtained as a result of the knowing false
- 17 statement or representation or the knowing and willful failure to
- 18 disclose a material fact is  $\frac{\$1,000.00}{\$500.00}$  \$500.00 or more, the com-
- 19 mission may SHALL ATTEMPT TO recover the amount obtained as a
- 20 result of the knowing false statement or representation or the
- 21 knowing and willful failure to disclose a material fact and may
- 22 also recover damages equal to  $\frac{3}{2}$  4 times that amount. The com-
- 23 mission may refer the matter to the prosecuting attorney of the
- 24 county in which the alleged violation occurred for prosecution.
- 25 If the commission has not made its own determination under this
- 26 subdivision, the penalty sought by the prosecutor shall include
- 27 the amount described in this subdivision and shall also include 1

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- 1 or more of the following penalties IF THE AMOUNT OBTAINED IS
- 2 \$1,000.00 OR MORE:
- 3 (A) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 4 result of the knowing false statement or representation or the
- 5 knowing and willful failure to disclose a material fact is
- 6 \$1,000.00 or more but less than \$25,000.00, then 1 of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 1 year.
- 9 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 1
- 10 year but not to exceed 2,080 hours.
- 11 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 1
- **12** year.
- 13 (B) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 14 result of the knowing false statement or representation or the
- 15 knowing and willful failure to disclose a material fact is
- 16 \$25,000.00 or more, then 1 of the following:
- 17 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 2 years.
- 18 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 2
- 19 years but not to exceed 4,160 hours.
- 20 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 2
- 21 years.
- 22 (C) If the knowing false statement or representation or the
- 23 knowing and willful failure to disclose a material fact made to
- 24 obtain or withhold an amount from payment does not result in a
- 25 loss to the commission, then a penalty shall be sought equal to 3
- 26 times the amount that would have been obtained by the knowing
- 27 false statement or representation or the knowing and willful

- 1 failure to disclose a material fact, but not less than \$1,000.00,
- 2 and 1 of the following:
- 3 (I) Imprisonment for not more than 2 years.
- 4 (II) The performance of community service of not more than 2
- 5 years but not to exceed 4,160 hours.
- 6 (III) A combination of (I) and (II) that does not exceed 2
- 7 years.
- 8 (c) (1) Any employing unit or an officer or agent of an
- 9 employing unit or any other person failing to submit, when due,
- 10 any contribution report, wage and employment report, or other
- 11 reports lawfully prescribed and required by the commission shall
- 12 be subject to the assessment of a penalty for each report not
- 13 submitted within the time prescribed by the commission, as
- 14 follows: In the case of contribution reports not received within
- 15 10 days after the end of the reporting month the penalty shall be
- 16 10% of the contributions due on the reports but not less than
- 17 \$5.00 or more than \$25.00 for a report. However, if the tenth
- 18 day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or other commis-
- 19 sion nonwork day, -such THE 10-day period shall run until the
- 20 end of the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holi-
- 21 day, or other commission nonwork day. In the case of all other
- 22 reports referred to in this subsection the penalty shall be
- 23 \$10.00 for a report.
- 24 (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1), any employer or an
- 25 officer or agent of an employer or any other person failing to
- 26 submit, when due, any quarterly wage detail report required by

- 1 section 13(2) shall be subject to a penalty of \$25.00 for each
  2 untimely report.
- 3 (3) When a report is filed after the prescribed time and it
- 4 is shown to the satisfaction of the commission that the failure
- 5 to submit the report was due to reasonable cause, a penalty shall
- 6 not be imposed. The assessment of a penalty as provided in this
- 7 subsection shall constitute a determination which shall be final
- 8 unless the employer files with the commission an application for
- 9 a redetermination of the assessment in accordance with
- 10 section 32a.
- 11 (d) If any commissioner, employee, or agent of the commis-
- 12 sion or member of the appeal board willfully makes a disclosure
- 13 of confidential information obtained from any employing unit or
- 14 individual in the administration of this act for any purpose
- 15 inconsistent with or contrary to the purposes of this act, or a
- 16 person who having obtained a list of applicants for work, or of
- 17 claimants or recipients of benefits, under this act shall use or
- 18 permit the use of that list for a political purpose or for a pur-
- 19 pose inconsistent with or contrary to the purposes of this act,
- 20 he or she is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be
- 21 punished by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by a fine
- 22 of not more than \$1,000.00, or both. Notwithstanding the preced-
- 23 ing sentence, if any commissioner, commission employee, agent of
- 24 the commission, or member of the board of review knowingly,
- 25 intentionally, and for financial gain, makes an illegal disclo-
- 26 sure of confidential information obtained under section 13(2), he

 ${f 1}$  or she is guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment for not

- 2 more than 1 year and 1 day.
- 3 (e) A person who, without proper authority from the commis-
- 4 sion, represents himself or herself to be an employee of the com-
- 5 mission to an employing unit or person for the purpose of secur-
- 6 ing information regarding the unemployment or employment record
- 7 of an individual is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
- 8 shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or
- 9 by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 10 (f) A person associated with a college, university, or
- 11 public agency of this state who makes use of any information
- 12 obtained from the commission in connection with a research
- 13 project of a public service nature, in -such a manner as to
- 14 reveal the identity of any individual or employing unit from or
- 15 concerning whom the information was obtained by the commission,
- 16 or for any purpose other than use in connection with such a
- 17 THAT research project, is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon con-
- 18 viction shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 90
- 19 days, or by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00, or both.
- 20 (g) As used in this section, "person" includes an individu-
- 21 al, copartnership, joint venture, corporation, receiver, or
- 22 trustee in bankruptcy.
- 23 (h) This section shall apply even if the amount obtained or
- 24 withheld from payment has been reported or reported and paid by
- 25 an individual involved in a violation of subsection (a) or (b).
- 26 (i) If a determination is made that an individual has
- 27 violated this section, the individual is subject to the penalty

- 1 provisions of this section and, where applicable, the
- 2 requirements of section 62.
- 3 (j) Amounts recovered by the commission <del>pursuant to</del> UNDER
- 4 subsection (a) or (b) shall be credited first to the unemployment
- 5 compensation fund and thereafter amounts recovered that are in
- 6 excess of the amounts obtained or withheld as a result of the
- 7 violation of subsection (a) and (b) shall be credited to the pen-
- 8 alty and interest account of the contingent fund. Fines and pen-
- 9 alties recovered by the commission <del>pursuant to</del> UNDER
- 10 subsections (c), (d), (e), and (f) shall be credited to the pen-
- 11 alty and interest account of the contingent fund in accordance
- **12** with section 10(6).
- 13 (k) The revisions in the penalties in subsections (a) and
- 14 (b) provided by the 1991 amendatory act that added this subsec-
- 15 tion shall apply to conduct that began before April 1, 1992, but
- 16 that continued on or after April 1, 1992, and to conduct that
- 17 began on or after April 1, 1992.
- 18 Sec. 54c. (1) An employing unit or an officer or agent of
- 19 an employing unit, a claimant for unemployment benefits, an
- 20 employee of the commission, or a third party that has knowingly
- 21 or willfully appropriated or converted to his, her, or its own
- 22 use money to be used for the payment of benefits under this act
- 23 or money received as the payment of contribution liability under
- 24 this act is guilty of embezzlement punishable as follows:
- 25 (a) If the amount obtained as a result of the knowing or
- 26 willful appropriation or conversion of money is less than
- $27 \quad \frac{\$1,000.00}{\$500.00}$  \$500.00, the commission may recover the amount

- 1 obtained as a result of the knowing or willful appropriation or
- 2 conversion of money and may also recover damages equal to 2 times
- 3 that amount.
- 4 (b) If the amount obtained as a result of the knowing or
- 5 willful appropriation or conversion of money is  $\frac{$1,000.00}{}$
- 6 \$500.00 or more, the commission may SHALL ATTEMPT TO recover
- 7 the amount obtained as a result of the knowing or willful appro-
- 8 priation or conversion of money and may also recover damages
- 9 equal to  $\frac{3}{4}$  times that amount. The commission may refer the
- 10 matter to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the
- 11 alleged violation occurred for prosecution. If the commission
- 12 has not made its own determination under this subdivision, the
- 13 penalty sought by the prosecutor shall include the amount
- 14 described in this subdivision and shall also include 1 of the
- 15 following applicable penalties IF THE AMOUNT OBTAINED IS
- **16** \$1,000.00 OR MORE:
- 17 (i) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 18 result of the knowing or willful appropriation or conversion of
- 19 money is \$1,000.00 or more but less than \$25,000.00, then 1 of
- 20 the following:
- 21 (A) Imprisonment for not more than 1 year.
- 22 (B) The performance of community service of not more than 1
- 23 year but not to exceed 2,080 hours.
- 24 (C) A combination of (A) and (B) that does not exceed 1
- **25** year.
- (ii) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 27 result of the knowing or willful appropriation or conversion of

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- 1 money is \$25,000.00 or more but less than \$100,000.00, then 1 of
- 2 the following:
- 3 (A) Imprisonment for not more than 2 years.
- 4 (B) The performance of community service of not more than 2
- 5 years but not to exceed 4,160 hours.
- 6 (C) A combination of (A) and (B) that does not exceed 2
- 7 years.
- 8 (iii) If the amount obtained or withheld from payment as a
- 9 result of the knowing or willful appropriation or conversion of
- 10 money is \$100,000.00 or more, then 1 of the following:
- 11 (A) Imprisonment for not more than 5 years.
- 12 (B) The performance of community service of not more than 5
- 13 years but not to exceed 10,400 hours.
- 14 (C) A combination of (A) and (B) that does not exceed 5
- 15 years.
- 16 (iv) If the knowing or willful appropriation or conversion
- 17 of money made to obtain or withhold an amount from payment does
- 18 not result in a loss to the commission, then a penalty shall be
- 19 sought equal to 3 times the amount that would have been obtained
- 20 by the knowing or willful appropriation or conversion of money,
- 21 but not less than \$1,000.00, and 1 of the following:
- 22 (A) Imprisonment for not more than 2 years.
- 23 (B) The performance of community service of not more than 2
- 24 years but not to exceed 4,160 hours.
- 25 (C) A combination of (A) and (B) that does not exceed 2
- 26 years.

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- 1 (2) This section shall apply even if the amount obtained or
- 2 withheld from payment has been reported or reported and paid by
- 3 an individual involved in the embezzlement.
- 4 (3) This section applies to conduct that began before
- 5 April 1, 1992 but that continued on or after April 1, 1992 and to
- 6 conduct that began on or after April 1, 1992.
- 7 (4) The penalties provided in this section shall be in addi-
- 8 tion to any penalty provided in this act for a late filing.
- 9 (5) If a determination is made that an individual has vio-
- 10 lated this section, the individual is subject to the penalty pro-
- 11 visions of this section and, where applicable, the requirements
- 12 of section 62.
- 13 (6) The amount recovered by the commission pursuant to
- 14 subsection (1)(a) or (b) shall be credited first to the unemploy-
- 15 ment compensation fund and thereafter amounts recovered that are
- 16 in excess of the amounts obtained as a result of the embezzlement
- 17 shall be credited to the penalty and interest account of the con-
- 18 tingent fund.
- 19 (7) This section shall take effect April 1, 1992.
- 20 Enacting section 1. Section 3b of the Michigan employment
- 21 security act, 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, MCL 421.3b, is repealed.