## SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 975

A bill to amend 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, entitled "Michigan employment security act,"

by amending section 29 (MCL 421.29), as amended by 2020 PA 258.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 29. (1) Except as provided in subsection (5), an
- 2 individual is disqualified from receiving benefits if he or she:
- 3 the individual:
- 4 (a) Left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to
- 5 the employer or employing unit. An individual who left work is
- 6 presumed to have left work voluntarily without good cause
- 7 attributable to the employer or employing unit. An individual who
- 8 reduces the individual's working status to less than full-time
- 9 employment is rebuttably presumed to have voluntarily left work

- 1 without good cause attributable to the employer. An individual who
- 2 is absent from work for a period of 3 consecutive work days or more
- 3 without contacting the employer in a manner acceptable to the
- 4 employer and of which the individual was informed at the time of
- 5 hire—is considered—rebuttably presumed to have voluntarily left
- 6 work without good cause attributable to the employer. An individual
- 7 who becomes unemployed as a result of negligently losing a
- 8 requirement for the job of which he or she the individual was
- 9 informed at the time of hire is considered to have voluntarily left
- 10 work without good cause attributable to the employer. An individual
- 11 claiming benefits under this act has the burden of proof to
- 12 establish that he or she the individual left work involuntarily or
- 13 for good cause that was attributable to the employer or employing
- 14 unit. An individual claiming to have left work involuntarily for
- 15 medical reasons must have done all of the following before the
- 16 leaving: secured a statement from a medical professional that
- 17 continuing in the individual's current job would be harmful to the
- 18 individual's physical or mental health, unsuccessfully attempted to
- 19 secure alternative work with the employer, and unsuccessfully
- 20 attempted to be placed on a leave of absence with the employer to
- 21 last until the individual's mental or physical health would no
- 22 longer be harmed by the current job. Notwithstanding any other
- 23 provision of this act, with respect to claims for weeks beginning
- 24 before April 1, 2021, an individual is considered to have left work
- 25 involuntarily for medical reasons if he or she the individual
- 26 leaves work to self-isolate or self-quarantine in response to
- 27 elevated risk from COVID-19 because he or she the individual is
- 28 immunocompromised, displayed a commonly recognized principal
- 29 symptom of COVID-19 that was not otherwise associated with a known

- 1 medical or physical condition of the individual, had contact in the
- 2 last 14 days with an individual with a confirmed diagnosis of
- 3 COVID-19, needed to care for an individual with a confirmed
- 4 diagnosis of COVID-19, or had a family care responsibility that was
- 5 the result of a government directive regarding COVID-19.
- 6 Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, with respect to
- 7 claims for weeks beginning before April 1, 2021, the unemployment
- 8 agency may consider an individual laid off if the individual became
- 9 unemployed to self-isolate or self-quarantine in response to
- 10 elevated risk from COVID-19 because he or she the individual is
- 11 immunocompromised, displayed a commonly recognized principal
- 12 symptom of COVID-19 that was not otherwise associated with a known
- 13 medical or physical condition of the individual, had contact in the
- 14 last 14 days with an individual with a confirmed diagnosis of
- 15 COVID-19, needed to care for an individual with a confirmed
- 16 diagnosis of COVID-19, or had a family care responsibility that was
- 17 the result of a government directive regarding COVID-19. However,
- 18 if any of the following conditions are met, the leaving does not
- 19 disqualify the individual:
- 20 (i) The individual has an established benefit year in effect
- 21 and during that benefit year leaves unsuitable work within 60 days
- 22 after the beginning of that work. Benefits paid after a leaving
- 23 under this subparagraph must not be charged to the experience
- 24 account of the employer the individual left, but must be charged
- 25 instead to the nonchargeable benefits account.
- (ii) The individual is the spouse of a full-time member of the
- 27 United States Armed Forces, and the leaving is due to the military
- 28 duty reassignment of that member of the United States Armed Forces
- 29 to a different geographic location. Benefits paid after a leaving

- under this subparagraph must not be charged to the experience
  account of the employer the individual left, but must be charged
  instead to the nonchargeable benefits account.
- 4 (iii) The individual is concurrently working part-time for an 5 employer or employing unit and for another employer or employing 6 unit and voluntarily leaves the part-time work while continuing 7 work with the other employer. The portion of the benefits paid in 8 accordance with this subparagraph that would otherwise be charged 9 to the experience account of the part-time employer that the 10 individual left must not be charged to the account of that employer 11 but must be charged instead to the nonchargeable benefits account.
  - (iv) The individual is a victim of domestic violence who meets the requirements in section 29a. Benefits paid after a leaving under this subparagraph must not be charged to the experience account of the employer the individual left, but must be charged instead to the nonchargeable benefits account. This subparagraph does not apply after March 31, 2021. This subparagraph applies beginning on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this sentence.
- 20 (b) Was suspended or discharged for misconduct connected with21 the individual's work or for intoxication while at work.
  - (c) Failed without good cause to apply diligently for available suitable work after receiving notice from the unemployment agency of the availability of that work or failed to apply for work with employers that could reasonably be expected to have suitable work available.
- (d) Failed without good cause while unemployed to report to
  the individual's former employer or employing unit within a
  reasonable time after that employer or employing unit provided

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- notice of the availability of an interview concerning availablesuitable work with the former employer or employing unit.
- (e) Failed without good cause to accept suitable work offered 3 4 to the individual or to return to the individual's customary self-5 employment, if any, when directed by the employment office or the 6 unemployment agency. An employer that receives a monetary 7 determination under section 32 may notify the unemployment agency 8 regarding the availability of suitable work with the employer on 9 the monetary determination or other form provided by the 10 unemployment agency. Upon On receipt of the notice of the 11 availability of suitable work, the unemployment agency shall notify
- 13 (f) Lost his or her the individual's job due to absence from 14 work resulting from a violation of law for which the individual was 15 convicted and sentenced to jail or prison. This subdivision does 16 not apply if conviction of an individual results in a sentence to 17 county jail under conditions of day parole as provided in 1962 PA 60, MCL 801.251 to 801.258, or if the conviction was for a traffic 18 19 violation that resulted in an absence of less than 10 consecutive 20 work days from the individual's place of employment.

the claimant of the availability of suitable work.

- 21 (g) Is discharged, whether or not the discharge is
  22 subsequently reduced to a disciplinary layoff or suspension, for
  23 participation in either of the following:
  - (i) A strike or other concerted action in violation of an applicable collective bargaining agreement that results in curtailment of work or restriction of or interference with production.
- 28 (ii) A wildcat strike or other concerted action not authorized by the individual's recognized bargaining representative.

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- (h) Was discharged for an act of assault and battery connected
   with the individual's work.
- 3 (i) Was discharged for theft connected with the individual's4 work.
- 5 (j) Was discharged for willful destruction of property6 connected with the individual's work.
- 7 (k) Committed a theft after receiving notice of a layoff or
  8 discharge, but before the effective date of the layoff or
  9 discharge, resulting in loss or damage to the employer who would
  10 otherwise be chargeable for the benefits, regardless of whether the
  11 individual qualified for the benefits before the theft.
  - (1) Was employed by a temporary help firm, which as used in this section means an employer whose primary business is to provide a client with the temporary services of 1 or more individuals under contract with the employer, to perform services for a client of that firm if each of the following conditions is met:
- 17 (i) The temporary help firm provided the employee with a
  18 written notice before the employee began performing services for
  19 the client stating in substance both of the following:
- 20 (A) That within not more than 7 days after completing services 21 for a client of the temporary help firm, the employee is under a 22 duty to notify the temporary help firm of the completion of those 23 services.
  - (B) That a failure to provide the temporary help firm with notice of the employee's completion of services pursuant to subsubparagraph (A) constitutes a voluntary quit that will affect the employee's eligibility for unemployment compensation if the employee seeks unemployment compensation following completion of those services.

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- 1 (ii) The employee did not provide the temporary help firm with
  2 notice that the employee had completed his or her the employee's
  3 services for the client within not later than 7 days after
  4 completion of his or her the employee's services for the client.
- 5 (m) Was discharged for illegally ingesting, injecting, inhaling, or possessing a controlled substance on the premises of 6 7 the employer; refusing to submit to a drug test that was required 8 to be administered in a nondiscriminatory manner; or testing 9 positive on a drug test, if the test was administered in a 10 nondiscriminatory manner. If the worker disputes the result of the testing, and if a generally accepted confirmatory test has not been 11 12 administered on the same sample previously tested, then a generally 13 accepted confirmatory test must be administered on that sample. If 14 the confirmatory test also indicates a positive result for the 15 presence of a controlled substance, the worker who is discharged as a result of the test result will be disqualified under this 16 17 subdivision. A report by a drug testing facility showing a positive result for the presence of a controlled substance is conclusive 18 19 unless there is substantial evidence to the contrary. As used in this subdivision: 20
- (i) "Controlled substance" means that term as defined insection 7104 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.7104.
  - (ii) "Drug test" means a test designed to detect the illegal use of a controlled substance.
- (iii) "Nondiscriminatory manner" means administered impartially
  and objectively in accordance with a collective bargaining
  agreement, rule, policy, a verbal or written notice, or a labormanagement contract.
- 29 (n) Theft from the employer that resulted in the employee's

- conviction, within 2 years of the date of the discharge, of theftor a lesser included offense.
- 3 (2) A disqualification under subsection (1) begins the week in
  4 which the act or discharge that caused the disqualification occurs
  5 and continues until the disqualified individual requalifies under
  6 subsection (3).
- 7 (3) After the week in which the disqualifying act or discharge
  8 described in subsection (1) occurs, an individual who seeks to
  9 requalify for benefits is subject to all of the following:
- (a) For benefit years established before October 1, 2000, the individual must complete 6 requalifying weeks if he or she the individual was disqualified under subsection (1)(c), (d), (e), (f), (g), or (l), or 13 requalifying weeks if he or she the individual was disqualified under subsection (1)(h), (i), (j), (k), or (m). A requalifying week required under this subdivision is each week in which the individual does any of the following:
- 17 (i) Earns or receives remuneration in an amount at least equal
  18 to an amount needed to earn a credit week, as that term is defined
  19 in section 50.
- 20 (ii) Otherwise meets all of the requirements of this act to 21 receive a benefit payment if the individual were not disqualified 22 under subsection (1).
- (iii) Receives a benefit payment based on credit weekssubsequent to the disqualifying act or discharge.
- 25 (b) For benefit years established before October 1, 2000, if
  26 the individual is disqualified under subsection (1)(a) or (b), he
  27 or she the individual must requalify, after the week in which the
  28 disqualifying discharge occurred by earning in employment for an
  29 employer liable under this act or the unemployment compensation act

- 1 of another state an amount equal to, or in excess of, 7 times the
- 2 individual's potential weekly benefit rate, calculated on the basis
- 3 of employment with the employer involved in the disqualification,
- 4 or by earning in employment for an employer liable under this act
- 5 or the unemployment compensation act of another state an amount
- 6 equal to, or in excess of, 40 times the state minimum hourly wage
- 7 times 7, whichever is the lesser amount.
- 8 (c) For benefit years established before October 1, 2000, a
- 9 benefit payable to an individual disqualified under subsection
- 10 (1)(a) or (b) must be charged to the nonchargeable benefits
- 11 account, and not to the account of the employer with whom the
- 12 individual was involved in the disqualification.
- 13 (d) For benefit years beginning on or after October 1, 2000,
- 14 after the week in which the disqualifying act or discharge
- 15 occurred, an individual must complete 13 requalifying weeks if he
- or she the individual was disqualified under subsection (1)(c),
- 17 (d), (e), (f), (g), or (l), or 26 requalifying weeks if  $\frac{1}{l}$
- 18 the individual was disqualified under subsection (1)(h), (i), (j),
- 19 (k), (m), or (n). A requalifying week required under this
- 20 subdivision is each week in which the individual does any of the
- 21 following:
- 22 (i) Earns or receives remuneration in an amount equal to at
- 23 least 1/13 of the minimum amount needed in a calendar quarter of
- 24 the base period for an individual to qualify for benefits, rounded
- 25 down to the nearest whole dollar.
- (ii) Otherwise meets all of the requirements of this act to
- 27 receive a benefit payment if the individual was not disqualified
- 28 under subsection (1).
- 29 (e) For benefit years beginning on or after October 1, 2000

- 1 and beginning before April 26, 2002, if the individual is
- 2 disqualified under subsection (1)(a) or (b), he or she the
- 3 individual must requalify, after the week in which the
- 4 disqualifying act or discharge occurred by earning in employment
- 5 for an employer liable under this act or the unemployment
- 6 compensation law of another state at least the lesser of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (i) Seven times the individual's weekly benefit rate.
- 9 (ii) Forty times the state minimum hourly wage times 7.
- 10 (f) For benefit years beginning on or after April 26, 2002, if
- 11 the individual is disqualified under subsection (1)(a), he or she
- 12 the individual must requalify, after the week in which the
- 13 disqualifying act or discharge occurred by earning in employment
- 14 for an employer liable under this act or the unemployment
- 15 compensation law of another state at least 12 times the
- 16 individual's weekly benefit rate.
- 17 (g) For benefit years beginning on or after April 26, 2002, if
- 18 the individual is disqualified under subsection (1)(b), he or she
- 19 the individual must requalify, after the week in which the
- 20 disqualifying act or discharge occurred by earning in employment
- 21 for an employer liable under this act or the unemployment
- 22 compensation law of another state at least 17 times the
- 23 individual's weekly benefit rate.
- 24 (h) A benefit payable to the individual disqualified or
- 25 separated under disqualifying circumstances under subsection (1)(a)
- 26 or (b) must be charged to the nonchargeable benefits account, and
- 27 not to the account of the employer with whom the individual was
- 28 involved in the separation. Benefits payable to an individual
- 29 determined by the unemployment agency to be separated under

- 1 disqualifying circumstances must not be charged to the account of
- 2 the employer involved in the disqualification for any period after
- 3 the employer notifies the unemployment agency of the claimant's
- 4 possible ineligibility or disqualification. However, an individual
- 5 filing a new claim for benefits who reports the reason for
- 6 separation from a base period employer as a voluntary leaving is
- 7 presumed to have voluntarily left without good cause attributable
- 8 to the employer and is disqualified unless the individual provides
- 9 substantial evidence to rebut the presumption. If a disqualifying
- 10 act or discharge occurs during the individual's benefit year, any
- 11 benefits that may become payable to the individual in a later
- 12 benefit year based on employment with the employer involved in the
- 13 disqualification must be charged to the nonchargeable benefits
- 14 account.
- 15 (4) The maximum amount of benefits otherwise available under
- 16 section 27(d) to an individual disqualified under subsection (1) is
- 17 subject to all of the following conditions:
- 18 (a) For benefit years established before October 1, 2000, if
- 19 the individual is disqualified under subsection (1)(c), (d), (e),
- 20 (f), (g), or (l) and the maximum amount of benefits is based on
- 21 wages and credit weeks earned from an employer before an act or
- 22 discharge involving that employer, the amount must be reduced by an
- 23 amount equal to the individual's weekly benefit rate as to that
- 24 employer multiplied by the lesser of either of the following:
- (i) The number of requalifying weeks required of the individual
- 26 under this section.
- (ii) The number of weeks of benefit entitlement remaining with
- 28 that employer.
- 29 (b) If the individual has insufficient or no potential benefit

- 1 entitlement remaining with the employer involved in the
- 2 disqualification in the benefit year in existence on the date of
- 3 the disqualifying determination, a reduction of benefits described
- 4 in this subsection applies in a succeeding benefit year with
- 5 respect to any benefit entitlement based upon on credit weeks
- 6 earned with the employer before the disqualifying act or discharge.
- 7 (c) For benefit years established before October 1, 2000, an
- 8 individual disqualified under subsection (1)(h), (i), (j), (k), or
- 9 (m) is not entitled to benefits based on wages and credit weeks
- 10 earned before the disqualifying act or discharge with the employer
- 11 involved in the disqualification.
- 12 (d) The benefit entitlement of an individual disqualified
- 13 under subsection (1)(a) or (b) is not subject to reduction as a
- 14 result of that disqualification.
- 15 (e) A denial or reduction of benefits under this subsection
- 16 does not apply to benefits based upon on multiemployer credit
- 17 weeks.
- 18 (f) For benefit years established on or after October 1, 2000,
- 19 if the individual is disqualified under subsection (1)(c), (d),
- 20 (e), (f), (g), or (l), the maximum number of weeks otherwise
- 21 applicable in calculating benefits for the individual under section
- 22 27(d) must be reduced by the lesser of the following:
- 23 (i) The number of requalifying weeks required of the individual
- 24 under this section.
- 25 (ii) The number of weeks of benefit entitlement remaining on
- 26 the claim.
- 27 (g) For benefit years beginning on or after October 1, 2000,
- 28 the benefits of an individual disqualified under subsection (1)(h),
- 29 (i), (j), (k), (m), or (n) must be reduced by 13 weeks and any

- 1 weekly benefit payments made to the claimant thereafter must be
- 2 reduced by the portion of the payment attributable to base period
- 3 wages paid by the base period employer involved in a
- 4 disqualification under subsection (1)(h), (i), (j), (k), (m), or
- **5** (n).
- 6 (5) Subject to subsection (11), if an individual leaves work
- 7 to accept permanent full-time work with another employer or to
- 8 accept a referral to another employer from the individual's union
- 9 hiring hall and performs services for that employer, or if an
- 10 individual leaves work to accept a recall from a former employer,
- 11 all of the following apply:
- 12 (a) Subsection (1) does not apply.
- 13 (b) Wages earned with the employer whom the individual last
- 14 left, including wages previously transferred under this subsection
- 15 to the last employer, for the purpose of computing and charging
- 16 benefits, are wages earned from the employer with whom the
- 17 individual accepted work or recall, and benefits paid based upon
- 18 those wages must be charged to that employer.
- 19 (c) When issuing a determination covering the period of
- 20 employment with a new or former employer described in this
- 21 subsection, the unemployment agency shall advise the chargeable
- 22 employer of the name and address of the other employer, the period
- 23 covered by the employment, and the extent of the benefits that may
- 24 be charged to the account of the chargeable employer.
- 25 (6) In determining whether work is suitable for an individual,
- 26 the unemployment agency shall consider the degree of risk involved
- 27 to the individual's health, safety, and morals, the individual's
- 28 physical fitness and prior training, the individual's length of
- 29 unemployment and prospects for securing local work in the

- 1 individual's customary occupation, and the distance of the
- 2 available work from the individual's residence. Additionally, the
- 3 unemployment agency shall consider the individual's experience and
- 4 prior earnings, but an unemployed individual who refuses an offer
- 5 of work determined to be suitable under this section must be denied
- 6 benefits if the pay rate for that work is at least 70% of the gross
- 7 pay rate he or she the unemployed individual received immediately
- 8 before becoming unemployed. Beginning January 15, 2012, after an
- 9 individual has received benefits for 50% of the benefit weeks in
- 10 the individual's benefit year, work is not considered unsuitable
- 11 because it is outside of the individual's training or experience or
- 12 unsuitable as to pay rate if the pay rate for that work meets or
- 13 exceeds the minimum wage; is at least the prevailing mean wage for
- 14 similar work in the locality for the most recent full calendar year
- 15 for which data are available as published by the department of
- 16 technology, management, and budget as "wages by job title", by
- 17 standard metropolitan statistical area; and is 120% or more of the
- 18 individual's weekly benefit amount.
- 19 (7) Work is not suitable and benefits must not be denied under
- 20 this act to an otherwise eligible individual for refusing to accept
- 21 new work under any of the following conditions:
- 22 (a) If the position offered is vacant due directly to a
- 23 strike, lockout, or other labor dispute.
- 24 (b) If the remuneration, hours, or other conditions of the
- 25 work offered are substantially less favorable to the individual
- 26 than those prevailing for similar work in the locality.
- (c) If as a condition of being employed, the individual would
- 28 be required to join a company union or to resign from or refrain
- 29 from joining a bona fide labor organization.

- 1 (8) All of the following apply to an individual who seeks
  2 benefits under this act:
- 3 (a) An individual is disqualified from receiving benefits for
  4 a week in which the individual's total or partial unemployment is
  5 due to either of the following:
- 6 (i) A labor dispute in active progress at the place at which
  7 the individual is or was last employed, or a shutdown or start-up
  8 operation caused by that labor dispute.
- 9 (ii) A labor dispute, other than a lockout, in active progress
  10 or a shutdown or start-up operation caused by that labor dispute in
  11 any other establishment within the United States that is both
  12 functionally integrated with the establishment described in
  13 subparagraph (i) and operated by the same employing unit.
  - (b) An individual's disqualification imposed or imposable under this subsection is terminated if the individual performs services in employment with an employer in at least 2 consecutive weeks falling wholly within the period of the individual's total or partial unemployment due to the labor dispute, and in addition earns wages in each of those weeks in an amount equal to or greater than the individual's actual or potential weekly benefit rate.
  - (c) An individual is not disqualified under this subsection if the individual is not directly involved in the labor dispute. An individual is not directly involved in a labor dispute unless any of the following are established:
- 25 (i) At the time or in the course of a labor dispute in the
  26 establishment in which the individual was then employed, the
  27 individual in concert with 1 or more other employees voluntarily
  28 stopped working other than at the direction of the individual's
  29 employing unit.

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- 1 (ii) The individual is participating in, financing, or directly
  2 interested in the labor dispute that causes the individual's total
  3 or partial unemployment. The payment of regular union dues, in
  4 amounts and for purposes established before the inception of the
  5 labor dispute, is not financing a labor dispute within the meaning
  6 of this subparagraph.
- 7 (iii) At any time a labor dispute in the establishment or 8 department in which the individual was employed does not exist, and 9 the individual voluntarily stops working, other than at the 10 direction of the individual's employing unit, in sympathy with 11 employees in some other establishment or department in which a 12 labor dispute is in progress.
- (iv) The individual's total or partial unemployment is due to a
   labor dispute that was or is in progress in a department, unit, or
   group of workers in the same establishment.
- (d) As used in this subsection, "directly interested" must be 16 17 construed and applied so as not to disqualify individuals 18 unemployed as a result of a labor dispute the resolution of which 19 may not reasonably be expected to affect their wages, hours, or 20 other conditions of employment, and to disqualify individuals whose 21 wages, hours, or conditions of employment may reasonably be 22 expected to be affected by the resolution of the labor dispute. A 23 "reasonable expectation" of an effect on an individual's wages, 24 hours, or other conditions of employment exists, in the absence of 25 a substantial preponderance of evidence to the contrary, in any of 26 the following situations:
- (i) If it is established that there is in the particular
  establishment or employing unit a practice, custom, or contractual
  obligation to extend within a reasonable period to members of the

- 1 individual's grade or class of workers in the establishment in
- 2 which the individual is or was last employed changes in terms and
- 3 conditions of employment that are substantially similar or related
- 4 to some or all of the changes in terms and conditions of employment
- 5 that are made for the workers among whom there exists the labor
- 6 dispute that has caused the individual's total or partial
- 7 unemployment.
- **8** (*ii*) If it is established that 1 of the issues in or purposes
- 9 of the labor dispute is to obtain a change in the terms and
- 10 conditions of employment for members of the individual's grade or
- 11 class of workers in the establishment in which the individual is or
- was last employed.
- 13 (iii) If a collective bargaining agreement covers both the
- 14 individual's grade or class of workers in the establishment in
- 15 which the individual is or was last employed and the workers in
- 16 another establishment of the same employing unit who are actively
- 17 participating in the labor dispute, and that collective bargaining
- 18 agreement is subject by its terms to modification, supplementation,
- 19 or replacement, or has expired or been opened by mutual consent at
- 20 the time of the labor dispute.
- 21 (e) In determining the scope of the grade or class of workers,
- 22 evidence of the following is relevant:
- (i) Representation of the workers by the same national or
- 24 international organization or by local affiliates of that national
- 25 or international organization.
- (ii) Whether the workers are included in a single, legally
- 27 designated, or negotiated bargaining unit.
- 28 (iii) Whether the workers are or within the past 6 months have
- 29 been covered by a common master collective bargaining agreement

- 1 that sets forth all or any part of the terms and conditions of the
- 2 workers' employment, or by separate agreements that are or have
- 3 been bargained as a part of the same negotiations.
- $oldsymbol{4}$  (iv) Any functional integration of the work performed by those
- 5 workers.
- (v) Whether the resolution of those issues involved in the
- 7 labor dispute as to some of the workers could directly or
- 8 indirectly affect the advancement, negotiation, or settlement of
- 9 the same or similar issues in respect to the remaining workers.
- 10 (vi) Whether the workers are currently or have been covered by
- 11 the same or similar demands by their recognized or certified
- 12 bargaining agent or agents for changes in their wages, hours, or
- 13 other conditions of employment.
- 14 (vii) Whether issues on the same subject matter as those
- 15 involved in the labor dispute have been the subject of proposals or
- 16 demands made upon the employing unit that would by their terms have
- 17 applied to those workers.
- 18 (9) Notwithstanding subsections (1) to (8), if the employing
- 19 unit submits notice to the unemployment agency of possible
- 20 ineligibility or disqualification beyond the time limits prescribed
- 21 by unemployment agency rule and the unemployment agency concludes
- 22 that benefits should not have been paid, the claimant shall repay
- 23 the benefits paid during the entire period of ineligibility or
- 24 disqualification. The unemployment agency shall not charge interest
- 25 on repayments required under this subsection.
- 26 (10) An individual is disqualified from receiving benefits for
- 27 any week or part of a week in which the individual has received, is
- 28 receiving, or is seeking unemployment benefits under an
- 29 unemployment compensation law of another state or of the United

- States. If the appropriate agency of the other state or of the 1 United States finally determines that the individual is not 2 entitled to unemployment benefits, the disqualification described 3 in this subsection does not apply. 4 (11) Beginning on May 1, 2020, and until the effective date of 5 6 the amendatory act that added this subsection, October 20, 2020, if 7 an individual leaves work to accept permanent full-time work with 8 another employer, the individual is considered to have met the 9 requirements of subsection (5) regardless of whether the individual 10 actually performed services for the other employer or whether the 11 work was permanent full-time work. Benefits payable to the 12 individual must be charged to the nonchargeable benefits account.
- Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless Senate Bill No. 40 of the 102nd Legislature is enacted into law.