

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1340

AS OF APRIL 3, 1991

Brief Description: Revising provisions for deductions from unemployment compensation weekly benefits.

SPONSORS: Representatives R. Meyers, Heavey and O'Brien; by request of Employment Security Department.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

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Staff: Forrest Bathurst (786-7429)

Hearing Dates: April 4, 1991

BACKGROUND:

Claimants eligible for unemployment compensation are permitted to take temporary part-time work. However, if the claimant earns more than \$5 during any week, the claimant's weekly unemployment benefit is reduced by 75 percent of the earnings over \$5. Any amount earned that is \$5 or less is disregarded in computing benefits.

SUMMARY:

The amount of a claimant's weekly earnings that will be disregarded for purposes of computing the claimant's unemployment compensation benefits is raised from \$5 to \$25.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

Effective Date: The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect July 7, 1991, for weeks of unemployment beginning on or after July 7, 1991.