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By Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline, Franklin

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1 On page 23, after line 23, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 4. RCW 50.20.120 and 2009 c 3 s 3 are each amended to read
3 as follows:

4 Except as provided in RCW 50.20.--- (section 2, chapter 3, Laws of
5 2009), benefits shall be payable as provided in this section.

6 (1) For claims with an effective date on or after April 4, 2004,
7 benefits shall be payable to any eligible individual during the
8 individual's benefit year in a maximum amount equal to the lesser of
9 twenty-six times the weekly benefit amount, as determined in subsection
10 (2) of this section, or one-third of the individual's base year wages
11 under this title.

12 (2)(a) For claims with an effective date on or after April 24,
13 2005, an individual's weekly benefit amount shall be an amount equal to
14 three and eighty-five one-hundredths percent of the average quarterly
15 wages of the individual's total wages during the two quarters of the
16 individual's base year in which such total wages were highest.

17 (b) With respect to separations that occur on or after January 3,
18 2010, an individual's weekly benefit amount shall be an amount equal to
19 four percent of the average quarterly wages of the individual's total
20 wages during the two quarters of the individual's base year in which
21 such total wages were highest.

22 (3) The maximum and minimum amounts payable weekly shall be
23 determined as of each June 30th to apply to benefit years beginning in
24 the twelve-month period immediately following such June 30th.

25 (a) The maximum amount payable weekly shall be either four hundred
26 ninety-six dollars or sixty-three percent of the "average weekly wage"
27 for the calendar year preceding such June 30th, whichever is greater.

28 (b) The minimum amount payable weekly shall be fifteen percent of
29 the "average weekly wage" for the calendar year preceding such June
30 30th.

1 (4) If any weekly benefit, maximum benefit, or minimum benefit
2 amount computed herein is not a multiple of one dollar, it shall be
3 reduced to the next lower multiple of one dollar."

4 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively.

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5 On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "50.29.025," strike "and
6 50.20.050" and insert "50.20.050, and 50.20.120"

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