

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act to qualify District workers for additional weeks of unemployment insurance and pandemic unemployment assistance benefits under the extended benefits program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Unemployment Benefits Extension Emergency Act of 2020”.

Sec. 2. Section 7(g)(1) of the District of Columbia Unemployment Compensation Act, approved August 28, 1935 (49 Stat. 949; D.C. Official Code § 51-107(g)(1)), is amended as follows:

(a) Subparagraph (K) is amended as follows:

(1) Sub-subparagraph (i) is amended by striking the phrase “March 15, 2009” and inserting the phrase “after March 18, 2020” in its place.

(2) Sub-subparagraph (ii) is amended as follows:

(A) Strike the phrase “commencing December 6, 2009” and insert the phrase “ending December 26, 2020” in its place.

33 (B) Strike the phrase “section 2005 of the Assistance for Unemployed
34 Workers and Struggling Families Act of 2009, approved February 17, 2009 (Pub. L. No. 111-5;
35 123 Stat. 436)” and insert the phrase “section 2102 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and
36 Economic Security Act, approved March 27, 2020 (Pub. L. No. 116-136; 134 Stat. 313)” in its
37 place.

38 (b) Subparagraph (L) is amended as follows:

39 (1) Sub-subparagraph (i) is amended by striking the phrase “March 15, 2009” and
40 inserting the phrase “after March 18, 2020” in its place.

41 (2) Sub-subparagraph (iii) is amended as follows:

42 (A) Strike the phrase “commencing December 6, 2009” and insert the
43 phrase “ending December 26, 2020” in its place.

44 (B) Strike the phrase “section 2005 of the Assistance for Unemployed
45 Workers and Struggling Families Act of 2009, approved February 17, 2009 (Pub. L. No. 111-5;
46 123 Stat. 436)” and insert the phrase “section 2102 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and
47 Economic Security Act, approved March 27, 2020 (Pub. L. No. 116-136; 134 Stat. 313)” in its
48 place.

49 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

50 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
51 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
52 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

53 Sec. 4. Effective date.

54 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
55 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than
56 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section
57 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788;
58 D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).

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