
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2020 Regular Session

Substitute for Original House Bill No. 620 by Representative Beaulieu as proposed by the House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

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To enact R.S. 23:1592.1, relative to unemployment compensation; to provide for weekly benefit amounts; to provide for benefit amounts during the COVID-19 pandemic; to provide for a reduction of compensation under certain circumstances; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 23:1592.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

1592.1. Weekly benefit amount under COVID-19

A. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, unemployment compensation paid to a claimant pursuant to this Chapter, when combined with the unemployment compensation paid to the claimant pursuant to the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program through the CARES Act, Public Law No:116-136, shall not exceed the total amount of compensation the claimant would have earned as wages for employment while employed. The state shall adjust any compensation it pays pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter to ensure that the total state and federal compensation received by the claimant does not exceed the compensation the claimant would have earned while employed.

B. For the purposes of this Section, the state shall not reduce a claimant's unemployment compensation amount to an amount that will otherwise disqualify the claimant from federal unemployment compensation paid pursuant to the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program.

Section 2. The provisions of this Section shall only be effective during the coronavirus pandemic commonly known as COVID-19.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to unemployment insurance.

Proposed law provides that unemployment compensation paid to the claimant by the state of La when combined with the compensation paid to the claimant pursuant to the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program through the CARES Act, Public Law No: 116-136, shall not exceed the total amount of compensation that a claimant would have earned as wages for employment while employed.

Proposed law provides that the state shall adjust any compensation it pays pursuant to proposed law to ensure that the total state and federal compensation received by a claimant does not exceed the compensation the claimant would have earned while employed.

Proposed law provides that the state shall not reduce a claimant's unemployment compensation amount to an amount that will otherwise disqualify the claimant from federal unemployment compensation paid pursuant to the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program.

Proposed law provides that this provision shall only be effective during the coronavirus pandemic commonly known as COVID-19.

(Adds R.S. 23:1592.1)