HB 3024 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Labor and Workplace Standards

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Removes requirement that individual's maximum unemployment benefit amount be reduced by eight times their weekly benefit amount, if the individual is disqualified from the receipt of unemployment benefits for cause and has not earned at least four times the individual's weekly benefit amount. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Fiscal impact: (info) Revenue impact: (info)

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, when an individual is disqualified from the receipt of unemployment benefits for cause the individual must be employed and earn at least four times their weekly benefit amount after the week in which the act causing the disqualification occurred. When the individual qualifies for unemployment benefits again, current law requires that their maximum benefit amount be reduced by eight times the individual's weekly benefit amount. The reduction in unemployment benefits is required even if the individual is complying with all UI requirements.

House Bill 3021 eliminates the requirement that an individual's maximum benefit amount be reduced by eight times their weekly benefit amount, if the individual is disqualified from the receipt of benefits for cause and has not earned at least four times the individual's weekly benefit amount.

