AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1852

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- Amend Bill, page 7, line 27, by inserting after "AMENDED" 1 2 and subsection (b) is amended by adding a paragraph 3 Amend Bill, page 8, by inserting between lines 18 and 19
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- (4) (i) Any person who has received a nonfault overpayment under this subsection shall not be required to repay the benefits nor have the benefits deducted from future compensation where such recovery would be against the best interests of the Commonwealth and the employe.
- (ii) The department shall determine whether recoupment of a nonfault overpayment shall be waived, upon request of the employe. Factors to be considered shall include, but are not limited to the following:
 - (A) The employe's earning capacity.
- (B) Whether other individuals depend or rely upon the employe for support and sustenance.
- (C) The employe's employment status at the time of the request.
- (D) The employe's current family income and reasonable expenses.
- (E) The existing long-term and short-term debts of the employe and his family.
- (F) Any extraordinary medical or other expenses of the employe and his family.
- (G) Whether the employe has received benefits as a windfall, for example, where a back pay award is received.
- (H) The notice, if any, and the clarity of the notice provided by the department to the employe regarding the possibility of a later determination of erroneously paid benefits.
- (I) A detrimental change of position by the employe in reliance on the receipt of benefits if the employe has taken any reasonable action or incurred a necessary financial obligation in the conduct of his affairs which the employe would not have taken but for the receipt of benefits.
- (J) Any unusual delay in the determination that the employe 36 has erroneously received benefits. 37

- (K) The contribution by the employer or the department to 2 the erroneous payment of benefits. (iii) Employes who receive a nonfault overpayment shall be 3
- 4 <u>notified by the department of the opportunity for a waiver under</u> 5 this subsection.