THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY KEEFER, BOBACK, RYAN, MILLARD, MENTZER, MOUL AND GROVE, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), entitled "An act establishing a system of 2 unemployment compensation to be administered by the 3 Department of Labor and Industry and its existing and newly created agencies with personnel (with certain exceptions) 5 selected on a civil service basis; requiring employers to keep records and make reports, and certain employers to pay 6 7 contributions based on payrolls to provide moneys for the 8 payment of compensation to certain unemployed persons; 9 10 providing procedure and administrative details for the determination, payment and collection of such contributions 11 and the payment of such compensation; providing for 12 cooperation with the Federal Government and its agencies; 13 creating certain special funds in the custody of the State 14 Treasurer; and prescribing penalties," in compensation, 15 further providing for qualifications required to secure 16 17 compensation. 18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 19 hereby enacts as follows: 20 Section 1. Section 401(f) of the act of December 5, 1936 21 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment 22 Compensation Law, is amended to read: 23 Section 401. Qualifications Required to Secure 24 Compensation. -- Compensation shall be payable to any employe who is or becomes unemployed, and who--25

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- 2 (f) Has worked ten (10) credit weeks and has earned,
- 3 subsequent to his separation from work under circumstances which
- 4 are disqualifying under the provisions of subsections 402(b),
- 5 402(e), 402(e.1), 402(h) and 402(k) of this act, remuneration
- 6 for services in an amount equal to or in excess of [six (6)]
- 7 <u>fifteen (15)</u> times his weekly benefit rate in "employment" as
- 8 defined in this act. The provisions of this subsection shall not
- 9 apply to a suspension of work by an individual pursuant to a
- 10 leave of absence granted by his last employer, provided such
- 11 individual has made a reasonable effort to return to work with
- 12 such employer upon the expiration of his leave of absence.
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- 14 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.