

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, APRIL 27, 2021

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937
 2 P.L.2897, No.1), entitled "An act establishing a system of
 3 unemployment compensation to be administered by the
 4 Department of Labor and Industry and its existing and newly
 5 created agencies with personnel (with certain exceptions)
 6 selected on a civil service basis; requiring employers to
 7 keep records and make reports, and certain employers to pay
 8 contributions based on payrolls to provide moneys for the
 9 payment of compensation to certain unemployed persons;
 10 providing procedure and administrative details for the
 11 determination, payment and collection of such contributions
 12 and the payment of such compensation; providing for
 13 cooperation with the Federal Government and its agencies;
 14 creating certain special funds in the custody of the State
 15 Treasurer; and prescribing penalties," in compensation,
 16 further providing for qualifications required to secure
 17 compensation.

18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 19 hereby enacts as follows:

20 Section 1. Section 401(b) 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 by adding a paragraph to read:

23 Section 401. Qualifications Required to Secure

1 Compensation.--Compensation shall be payable to any employe who
2 is or becomes unemployed, and who--

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4 (b) * * *

5 (7) The following apply:

6 (i) The department shall reinstate all requirements of this
7 subsection waived as the result of COVID-19 no later than June
8 8, 2021, or fifteen (15) days after the effective date of this
9 paragraph, whichever is later.

10 (ii) As used in this paragraph, the term "COVID-19" means
11 the novel coronavirus as identified in the Governor's
12 proclamation of disaster emergency issued on March 6, 2020,
13 published at 50 Pa.B. 1644 (March 21, 2020).

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15 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.