
SENATE BILL No. 277

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 22-4-14-7.

Synopsis: Unemployment benefits for education employees. Provides that an employee of an educational institution who does not continue in service with the educational institution is ineligible for unemployment benefits until after the date the employee would have returned to service for the next academic year or term if the employee were still providing services to the educational institution.

Effective: July 1, 2007.

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January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Pensions and Labor.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 22-4-14-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 7. (a) Benefits based on
3 service in employment defined in IC 22-4-8-2(i) and IC 22-4-8-2(j)
4 shall be payable in the same amount, on the terms, and subject to the
5 same conditions as compensation payable on the basis of other service
6 subject to this article, unless otherwise specifically provided, subject
7 to the following exceptions:

8 (1) With respect to service performed in an instructional,
9 research, or principal administrative capacity for an educational
10 institution, benefits may not be paid based on the service for any
11 week of unemployment commencing during the period between
12 two (2) successive academic years or terms, ~~or~~ during the period
13 between two (2) regular but not successive terms, or during a
14 period of paid sabbatical leave provided for in the individual's
15 contract to any individual if the individual performs the services
16 in the first of the academic years or terms and if there is a
17 reasonable assurance that the individual will perform services in



1 an instructional, research, or principal administrative capacity for
 2 any educational institution in the second of the academic years or
 3 terms.

4 (2) With respect to services performed in any capacity (other than
 5 those listed in subdivision (1)) ~~of this section~~ for an educational
 6 institution, benefits may not be paid based on the service of an
 7 individual for any week which commences during a period
 8 between two (2) successive academic years or terms if the
 9 individual performs the service in the first of the academic years
 10 or terms and there is reasonable assurance that the individual will
 11 perform the service in the second of the academic years or terms.
 12 However, with respect to weeks of unemployment beginning ~~on~~
 13 ~~or after January 1, 1984, before July 1, 2007,~~ if compensation is
 14 denied to any individual under this subdivision and the individual
 15 was not offered an opportunity to perform such services for the
 16 educational institution for the second of the academic years or
 17 terms, the individual is entitled to a retroactive payment of
 18 compensation for each week for which the individual filed a
 19 timely claim for compensation and for which compensation was
 20 denied solely by reason of this subdivision.

21 (3) With respect to any services described in ~~subdivisions~~
 22 **subdivision (1) or (2), of this section;** compensation payable for
 23 these services shall be denied to any individual for any week
 24 which commences during an established and customary vacation
 25 period or holiday recess if there is reasonable assurance that the
 26 individual will perform the services in the period immediately
 27 following the vacation period or holiday recess.

28 **(4) For service described in subdivision (1) or (2), if:**

29 **(A) an individual's service does not continue with an**
 30 **educational institution; or**

31 **(B) there is not a reasonable assurance that the individual**
 32 **will perform services for an educational institution:**

33 **(i) after the end of an academic year or term; or**

34 **(ii) in the period immediately following a vacation**
 35 **period, a holiday recess, or the period between school**
 36 **terms;**

37 **benefits may not be paid for weeks of unemployment**
 38 **beginning after June 30, 2007, until after the date the**
 39 **individual would have resumed service with the educational**
 40 **institution if the individual's service with the educational**
 41 **institution had continued.**

42 ~~(4)~~ **(5) With respect to any services described in subdivisions (1)**

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1 and (2), benefits shall not be payable on the basis of services in
 2 any such capacities as specified in subdivisions (1), (2), and (3)
 3 to any individual who performed such services in an educational
 4 institution while in the employ of an educational service agency.
 5 For purposes of this subdivision, the term "educational service
 6 agency" means a governmental agency or governmental entity that
 7 is established and operated exclusively for the purpose of
 8 providing such services to one (1) or more educational
 9 institutions.

10 (b) For purposes of this section, benefits may not be denied during
 11 the period between academic years or terms to any individual having
 12 wage credits earned with other than an educational institution if the
 13 wage credits qualify the individual under section 5 of this chapter and
 14 the individual is otherwise eligible. In these cases, the claim shall be
 15 computed based on the wage credits earned with employers other than
 16 educational institutions reported for the individual during the base
 17 period, in accordance with IC 22-4-12-2 and IC 22-4-12-4. Benefits
 18 paid based on the computation shall be only for weeks of
 19 unemployment occurring between academic years or terms. For any
 20 weeks of unemployment claims other than between academic years or
 21 terms, the claims of these individuals shall be recomputed to include
 22 all base period wages.

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