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SYNOPSIS

Concerns eligibility for extended unemployment benefits.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Labor Committee on October 22, 2020, with amendments.



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1 **AN ACT** concerning extended unemployment benefits and amending P.L.1970, c.324.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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- 1. Section 7 of P.L.1970, c.324 (C.43:21-24.13) is amended to read as follows:
- 7. An individual shall be eligible to receive extended benefits with respect to any week of unemployment in [his] the individual's eligibility period only if the division finds, that with respect to that week, the individual:
 - a. **[**he**]** is an "exhaustee" as defined in paragraph j. of section 5 of P.L.1970, c.324 (C.43:21-24.11); and
 - b. **[**he**]** has satisfied the requirements of this act for the receipt of regular benefits that are applicable to individuals claiming extended benefits, including not being subject to a disqualification for the receipt of benefits; and
 - c. [he,] for any initial claim for extended benefits effective after September 25, 1982 and before ¹[November 8, 2020] June 28, 2020¹, has established entitlement for [his] the individual's applicable benefit year based on the alternative earnings requirement specified in subsection (e) of R.S. 43:21-4, and was paid wages during the base year of his applicable benefit year which equaled or exceeded forty times his weekly benefit rate; and
- d. for any initial claim for extended benefits effective after

 1 November 7, 2020 June 27, 2020 , has established entitlement
 for the individual's applicable benefit year based on the alternative
 earnings requirement specified in subsection (e) of R.S. 43:21-4,
 and:
- 31 (1) was paid wages during the base year of the individual's
 32 applicable benefit year which equaled or exceeded ¹ [forty] 40¹
 33 times the individual's weekly benefit rate; or
 - (2) was paid wages during that base year which equaled or exceeded 1 1/2 times the individual's wages paid during the calendar quarter of the base year in which the individual's wages were highest; or
 - (3) had 20 full-time weeks of employment during that base year. (cf: P.L.1982, c.144, s.2)

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41 2. This act shall take effect immediately.