

REFERENCE TITLE: unemployment insurance; benefit amounts; definition

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## **SB 1167**

Introduced by  
Senators Kaiser: Shamp

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 23-780, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO  
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 23-780, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 23-780. Duration and amount of benefits; definition

5 A. An otherwise eligible individual is entitled during a benefit  
6 year to a total amount of benefits equal to:

7 1. ~~Twenty-six~~ TWELVE times the individual's weekly benefit amount  
8 if the unemployment rate in the prior calendar quarter is five percent or  
9 ~~more~~ LESS.

10 2. ~~Twenty-four~~ THIRTEEN times the individual's weekly benefit  
11 amount if the unemployment rate in the prior calendar quarter is ~~less~~ MORE  
12 than five percent BUT NOT MORE THAN FIVE AND ONE-HALF PERCENT.

13 3. FOURTEEN TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
14 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN FIVE AND  
15 ONE-HALF PERCENT BUT NOT MORE THAN SIX PERCENT.

16 4. FIFTEEN TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
17 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN SIX PERCENT  
18 BUT NOT MORE THAN SIX AND ONE-HALF PERCENT.

19 5. SIXTEEN TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
20 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN SIX AND  
21 ONE-HALF PERCENT BUT NOT MORE THAN SEVEN PERCENT.

22 6. SEVENTEEN TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
23 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN SEVEN PERCENT  
24 BUT NOT MORE THAN SEVEN AND ONE-HALF PERCENT.

25 7. EIGHTEEN TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
26 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN SEVEN AND  
27 ONE-HALF PERCENT BUT NOT MORE THAN EIGHT PERCENT.

28 8. NINETEEN TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
29 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN EIGHT PERCENT  
30 BUT NOT MORE THAN EIGHT AND ONE-HALF PERCENT.

31 9. TWENTY TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE  
32 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN EIGHT AND  
33 ONE-HALF PERCENT.

34 B. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, an individual may  
35 not receive more than one-third of the individual's base period earnings  
36 in a benefit year.

37 C. For the purposes of this section, "unemployment rate in the  
38 prior calendar quarter" means the average of the seasonally adjusted  
39 unemployment rates for the three months of the most recently published  
40 calendar year quarter as published by the office of economic opportunity.