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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~~ FOURTEEN 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. SIXTEEN 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. EIGHTEEN 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. TWENTY 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. TWENTY-TWO 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. TWENTY-FOUR 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. TWENTY-SIX TIMES THE INDIVIDUAL'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT IF THE
29 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR QUARTER IS MORE THAN EIGHT
30 PERCENT.

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

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