

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1761

Introduced by Assembly Member Papan

January 8, 2002

An act to amend Section 1280 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to unemployment insurance, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1761, as introduced, Papan. Unemployment insurance: benefits.

Under existing law, the weekly unemployment compensation benefit for new claims filed prior to January 1, 2002, for an individual whose highest wages in the quarter of his or her base period exceeded a specified amount, is 39% of those wages divided by 13, but may not exceed \$230.

Under existing law, for new claims filed with an effective date after January 1, 2002, and prior to January 1, 2003, the weekly benefit is increased, for an individual whose highest wages in the quarter of his or her base period exceed a specified amount, to a certain percentage of those wages divided by 13, and the maximum weekly benefit is increased, to \$330.

This bill would make those increased benefits applicable to new claims filed with an effective date after July 1, 2001, and prior to January 1, 2003.

Because this provision would increase the amount of unemployment compensation paid, it would increase the amount payable from the Unemployment Fund, a continuously appropriated special fund, and thereby would make an appropriation.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: ²/₃. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 1280 of the Unemployment Insurance
2 Code is amended to read:

3 1280. (a) For any new claims filed with an effective date on
4 or after January 1, 1992, and prior to ~~January 1, 2002~~ *July 1, 2001*,
5 an individual's weekly benefit amount is the amount appearing in
6 column B in the following table opposite that wage bracket in
7 column A that contains the amount of wages paid to the individual
8 for employment by employers during the quarter of his or her base
9 period in which his or her wages were the highest.

11 A	B
12 Amount of wages in	Weekly benefit
13 highest quarter	amount
14 \$900.00– 948.99	40
15 949.00– 974.99	41
16 975.00–1,000.99	42
17 1,001.00–1,026.99	43
18 1,027.00–1,052.99	44
19 1,053.00–1,078.99	45
20 1,079.00–1,117.99	46
21 1,118.00–1,143.99	47
22 1,144.00–1,169.99	48
23 1,170.00–1,195.99	49
24 1,196.00–1,221.99	50
25 1,222.00–1,247.99	51
26 1,248.00–1,286.99	52
27 1,287.00–1,312.99	53
28 1,313.00–1,338.99	54
29 1,339.00–1,364.99	55
30 1,365.00–1,403.99	56
31 1,404.00–1,429.99	57
32 1,430.00–1,455.99	58
33 1,456.00–1,494.99	59



1	1,495.00–1,520.99	60
2	1,521.00–1,546.99	61
3	1,547.00–1,585.99	62
4	1,586.00–1,611.99	63
5	1,612.00–1,637.99	64
6	1,638.00–1,676.99	65
7	1,677.00–1,702.99	66
8	1,703.00–1,741.99	67
9	1,742.00–1,767.99	68
10	1,768.00–1,806.99	69
11	1,807.00–1,832.99	70
12	1,833.00–1,871.99	71
13	1,872.00–1,897.99	72
14	1,898.00–1,936.99	73
15	1,937.00–1,975.99	74
16	1,976.00–2,001.99	75
17	2,002.00–2,040.99	76
18	2,041.00–2,066.99	77
19	2,067.00–2,105.99	78
20	2,106.00–2,144.99	79
21	2,145.00–2,170.99	80
22	2,171.00–2,209.99	81
23	2,210.00–2,248.99	82
24	2,249.00–2,287.99	83
25	2,288.00–2,326.99	84
26	2,327.00–2,352.99	85
27	2,353.00–2,391.99	86
28	2,392.00–2,430.99	87
29	2,431.00–2,469.99	88
30	2,470.00–2,508.99	89
31	2,509.00–2,547.99	90
32	2,548.00–2,586.99	91
33	2,587.00–2,625.99	92
34	2,626.00–2,664.99	93
35	2,665.00–2,703.99	94
36	2,704.00–2,742.99	95
37	2,743.00–2,781.99	96
38	2,782.00–2,820.99	97
39	2,821.00–2,859.99	98



1	2,860.00–2,898.99	99
2	2,899.00–2,937.99	100
3	2,938.00–2,989.99	101
4	2,990.00–3,028.99	102
5	3,029.00–3,067.99	103
6	3,068.00–3,106.99	104
7	3,107.00–3,158.99	105
8	3,159.00–3,197.99	106
9	3,198.00–3,236.99	107
10	3,237.00–3,288.99	108
11	3,289.00–3,327.99	109
12	3,328.00–3,379.99	110
13	3,380.00–3,418.99	111
14	3,419.00–3,470.99	112
15	3,471.00–3,509.99	113
16	3,510.00–3,561.99	114
17	3,562.00–3,600.99	115
18	3,601.00–3,652.99	116
19	3,653.00–3,704.99	117
20	3,705.00–3,743.99	118
21	3,744.00–3,795.99	119
22	3,796.00–3,847.99	120
23	3,848.00–3,899.99	121
24	3,900.00–3,938.99	122
25	3,939.00–3,990.99	123
26	3,991.00–4,042.99	124
27	4,043.00–4,079.99	125
28	4,080.00–4,116.99	126
29	4,117.00–4,153.99	127
30	4,154.00–4,190.99	128
31	4,191.00–4,227.99	129
32	4,228.00–4,264.99	130
33	4,265.00–4,301.99	131
34	4,302.00–4,338.99	132
35	4,339.00–4,375.99	133
36	4,376.00–4,412.99	134
37	4,413.00–4,449.99	135
38	4,450.00–4,486.99	136
39	4,487.00–4,523.99	137



1 4,524.00–4,560.99 138
2 4,561.00–4,597.99 139
3 4,598.00–4,634.99 140
4 4,635.00–4,671.99 141
5 4,672.00–4,708.99 142
6 4,709.00–4,745.99 143
7 4,746.00–4,782.99 144
8 4,783.00–4,819.99 145
9 4,820.00–4,856.99 146
10 4,857.00–4,893.99 147
11 4,894.00–4,930.99 148
12 4,931.00–4,966.99 149
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14 If the amount of wages paid an individual for employment by
15 employers exceeds four thousand nine hundred sixty-six dollars
16 and ninety-nine cents (\$4,966.99) in the quarter of his or her base
17 period in which these wages were highest, the individual’s weekly
18 benefit amount shall be 39 percent of these wages divided by 13,
19 but in no case shall this amount exceed two hundred thirty dollars
20 (\$230). If the benefit payable under this subdivision is not a
21 multiple of one dollar (\$1), it shall be computed to the next higher
22 multiple of one dollar (\$1).

23 (b) For new claims filed with an effective date beginning on or
24 after ~~January 1, 2002~~ *July 1, 2001*, and prior to January 1, 2003,
25 an individual’s weekly benefit amount is the amount appearing in
26 column B in the following table opposite that wage bracket in
27 column A that contains the amount of wages paid to the individual
28 for employment by employers during the quarter of his or her base
29 period in which his or her wages were the highest.

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13	1,456.00–1,494.99	59
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10	2,704.00–2,742.99	95
11	2,743.00–2,781.99	96

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13 If the amount of wages paid an individual for employment by
 14 employers exceeds two thousand seven hundred eighty-one
 15 dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$2,781.99) in the quarter of his or
 16 her base period in which these wages were highest, the individual's
 17 weekly benefit amount shall be 45 percent of these wages divided
 18 by 13, but in no case may this amount exceed three hundred thirty
 19 dollars (\$330).

20 (c) For new claims filed with an effective date beginning on or
 21 after January 1, 2003, an individual's weekly benefit amount is the
 22 amount appearing in column B in the following table opposite the
 23 wage bracket in column A that contains the wages paid to the
 24 individual for employment by employers during the quarter of his
 25 or her base period in which his or her wages were the highest.

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19	1,768.00–1,806.99	69
20	1,807.00–1,832.99	70

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22 If the amount of wages paid an individual for employment by
 23 employers exceeds one thousand eight hundred thirty-two dollars
 24 and ninety-nine cents (\$1,832.99) in the quarter of his or her base
 25 period in which these wages were highest, the individual’s weekly
 26 benefit amount shall be 50 percent of these wages divided by 13,
 27 but in no case shall this amount exceed the applicable of the
 28 following:

29 (1) For new claims filed with an effective date beginning on or
 30 after January 1, 2003, and before January 1, 2004, three hundred
 31 seventy dollars (\$370).

32 (2) For new claims filed with an effective date beginning on or
 33 after January 1, 2004, and before January 1, 2005, four hundred ten
 34 dollars (\$410).

35 (3) For new claims filed with an effective date beginning on or
 36 after January 1, 2005, four hundred fifty dollars (\$450).

37 If the benefit payable under this subdivision is not a multiple of
 38 one dollar (\$1), it shall be computed to the next higher multiple of
 39 one dollar (\$1).



1 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
2 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety
3 within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go
4 into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

5 In order to address the currently inadequate level of
6 unemployment benefits in this state, it is necessary that this act go
7 into immediate effect.

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