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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2601

Introduced by Assembly Member Furutani

February 24, 2012

An act to amend Section ~~3656~~ 15003 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to unemployment insurance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2601, as amended, Furutani. ~~Unemployment insurance: extended duration benefits: extended duration award computation. California Workforce Investment Board: duties: report on Green Collar Jobs Council activities.~~

Existing law establishes the California Workforce Investment Board (CWIB), and requires the board to establish a committee known as the Green Collar Jobs Council (GCJC). Existing law requires the GCJC to perform certain functions and duties, including the development of a strategic initiative, relating to the training and development of a skilled workforce to meet the needs of California's emerging green economy. Existing law requires the CWIB to annually report to the Legislature on the status of GCJC activities, grants awarded, and its development and implementation of a green workforce strategic initiative.

This bill would additionally require the CWIB to provide that annual report to the Governor and would require the CWIB to post the report on its Internet Web site for inspection by the public.

~~Existing law requires the Employment Development Department to make an extended duration award computation upon the filing of a valid primary claim by an exhaustee, as defined, and notify the exhaustee of~~

the computation. Existing law provides that the exhaustee may protest the accuracy of the computation within a specified time period and requires the department to consider the protest and promptly notify the exhaustee of the recomputation or denial of recomputation.

This bill would make nonsubstantive, technical changes to those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 15003 of the Unemployment Insurance
2 Code is amended to read:

3 15003. (a) (1) On or before April 1, 2011, and annually each
4 April 1 thereafter, the CWIB shall report to the Governor and the
5 Legislature on the status of GCJC activities, grants awarded, and
6 its development and implementation of a green workforce strategic
7 initiative.

8 (2) The CWIB shall post the annual report on its Internet Web
9 site for inspection by the public.

10 (b) The GCJC shall also consult with the appropriate state and
11 local agencies to identify opportunities to coordinate the award of
12 grant and green workforce training funds received by the state
13 under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of
14 2009 (Public Law 111-5) or any other funding sources.

15 SECTION 1. Section 3656 of the Unemployment Insurance
16 Code is amended to read:

17 3656. Upon the filing of a valid primary claim by an exhaustee,
18 the department shall promptly make an extended duration award
19 computation that shall set forth the maximum amount of extended
20 duration benefits potentially payable during the extended duration
21 period, the weekly benefit amount, and the expiration date of the
22 extended duration period. The department shall promptly notify
23 the exhaustee of the computation. The exhaustee may, within 20
24 days after the mailing or personal service of the notice of
25 computation, protest its accuracy. The 20-day period may be
26 extended for good cause. The department shall consider the protest
27 and shall promptly notify the exhaustee of the recomputation or
28 denial of recomputation. An appeal may be taken from a notice of

- 1 denial of recomputation in the manner prescribed in Section 3655.
- 2 The director shall be an interested party to any appeal.
- 3 “Good cause,” as used in this section, shall include, but not be
- 4 limited to, mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect.

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