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CHAPTER

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Unemployment Insurance - Reimbursing Not For Profit Employers - Exemption From 3 Reimbursement

4 FOR the purpose of providing that if a reimbursing not for profit organization has

employed a claimant on a continuous part-time basis and continues todo so while 5

6 the claimant is separated from other employment, the wages paid to the claimant by

7 the not for profit organization may not be used to determine whether the claimant

8 is eligible for benefits or the claimant's weekly benefit amount; providing that if a

9 claimant employed by a reimbursing not for profit organization on a continuous

10 part-time basis continues to be employed by the not for profit organization while

11 separated from other employment and is eligible for benefits becauseof that

12 separation, the not for profit organization may not be required to reimburse the

Unemployment Insurance Fund for the benefits paid to the claimant; providing for 13

14 the application and effective date of this Act; and generally relating to reimbursing

not for profit employers. 15

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- Article Labor and Employment 17
- Section 8-616 18
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (1991 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 21

22 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

1 Article - Labor and Employment

2 8-616.

3 (a) A not for profit organization or a governmental entity that has been
4 determined to be an employing unit may make an election in accordance with this Part
5 III.

6 (b) (1) Under an election, a not for profit organization shall reimburse the 7 Unemployment Insurance Fund for all regular and work sharing benefits and 50% of 8 extended benefits that are:

9 [(1)] (I) attributable to covered employment for the not for profit 10 organization; and

11 [(2)] (II) paid to individuals for any week of unemployment that begins 12 during the effective period of the election.

13 (2) IF A REIMBURSING NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION HAS

14 EMPLOYED A CLAIMANT ON A CONTINUOUS PART-TIME BASIS AND CONTINUES TO

15 DO SO WHILE THE CLAIMANT IS SEPARATED FROM OTHER EMPLOYMENT, THE

16 WAGES PAID TO THE CLAIMANT BY THE NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION MAY NOT

17 BE USED TO DETERMINE:

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(I) WHETHER THE CLAIMANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS

19 BECAUSE OF THE SEPARATION FROM OTHER EMPLOYMENT UNDER § 8 802 OF THIS
 20 TITLE; OR

21 (II) THE CLAIMANT'S WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT UNDER § 8 803 OF 22 THIS TITLE.

(3) (2) IF A CLAIMANT EMPLOYED BY A REIMBURSING NOT FOR
PROFIT ORGANIZATION ON A CONTINUOUS PART-TIME BASIS CONTINUES TO BE
EMPLOYED BY THE NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHILE SEPARATED FROM
OTHER EMPLOYMENT AND IS ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS BECAUSE OF THAT
SEPARATION, THE NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO
REIMBURSE THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND FOR THE BENEFITS PAID TO
THE CLAIMANT BECAUSE OF THAT SEPARATION.

30 (c) Under an election, a governmental entity shall reimburse the Unemployment31 Insurance Fund for all regular, work sharing, and extended benefits that are:

32 (1) attributable to covered employment for the governmental entity; and

(2) paid to individuals for any week of unemployment that begins during the34 effective period of the election.

35 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be

36 applicable to all unemployment insurance claims with an effective date on or after

- 37 September 29, 1996, and to unemployment insurance claims that are reopened after
- 38 subsequent employment with an effective date on or after September 29, 1996.

39 <u>SECTION 3.</u> AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 40 October 1, 1996 September 29, 1996.

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