

SENATE BILL 982

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By: **Senator Astle**

Introduced and read first time: March 3, 2008

Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Unemployment Insurance - Payment of Benefits - Total Benefit Amount**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the total benefit amount payable to an individual eligible
4 for unemployment insurance benefits under State law; requiring the Secretary
5 of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to adopt certain regulations; providing for a
6 delayed effective date; and generally relating to the payment of unemployment
7 insurance benefits under State law.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Labor and Employment
10 Section 8-808
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article - Labor and Employment**

16 8-808.

17 (a) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of §§ 8-805 and 8-806 of this
18 subtitle or Subtitle 10 of this title, the Secretary promptly shall pay benefits to a
19 claimant in accordance with a determination until it has been modified or reversed by
20 a later determination or decision.

21 (2) If a determination is modified or reversed by a subsequent
22 determination or decision, the Secretary promptly shall pay or deny benefits for any
23 week of unemployment that follows in accordance with the subsequent determination
24 or decision.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) In accordance with the regulations of the Secretary, all benefits shall be
2 paid from the Unemployment Insurance Fund through employment offices.

3 (c) Except as provided in Subtitle 11 and Subtitle 12 of this title or any
4 provision of federal law, during a benefit year:

5 (1) a claimant is entitled to a total amount of benefits equal to **THE**
6 **LESSER OF:**

7 (I) 26 times the claimant's weekly benefit amount; **OR**

8 (II) **25% OF THE CLAIMANT'S BASE PERIOD WAGES;** and

9 (2) for each week during which benefits are payable, a claimant is
10 entitled to allowances for dependents under § 8-804 of this subtitle.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Labor,
12 Licensing, and Regulation shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this
13 Act.

14 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 January 1, 2009.