

SENATE BILL 34

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By: **Senator Middleton (Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight) and Senators Kelley and Exum**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight – Repeal of**
3 **Termination Date**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date of the Joint Committee on
5 Unemployment Insurance Oversight.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – State Government
8 Section 2–10A–11
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2009 Replacement Volume)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Chapter 50 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
13 Section 2

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Chapter 51 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
16 Section 2

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 **Article – State Government**

2 2–10A–11.

3 (a) There is a Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight.

4 (b) The Committee consists of the following 15 members:

5 (1) three members of the Senate, appointed by the President of the
6 Senate;7 (2) three members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the
8 Speaker of the House of Delegates;9 (3) the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, or the
10 Secretary's designee;11 (4) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development, or the
12 Secretary's designee;13 (5) a representative of the Maryland Retailers Association, designated
14 by the Maryland Retailers Association;15 (6) a representative of the Maryland Chamber of Commerce,
16 designated by the Maryland Chamber of Commerce;17 (7) a representative of the National Federation of Independent
18 Business, designated by the National Federation of Independent Business;19 (8) a representative of the Job Opportunities Task Force, designated
20 by the Job Opportunities Task Force;21 (9) two representatives of union labor, designated by the Maryland
22 State and District of Columbia AFL–CIO; and23 (10) a representative of the academic profession who is knowledgeable
24 in unemployment insurance law, designated jointly by the President of the Senate and
25 the Speaker of the House of Delegates.26 (c) The members of the Committee serve at the pleasure of the presiding
27 officer who appointed them.28 (d) The President and the Speaker shall appoint a Senator and a Delegate,
29 respectively, each to serve as cochair.

1 (e) (1) The Committee shall examine the condition of the unemployment
2 insurance system in the State as a result of the implementation of Chapter 169 of the
3 Acts of the General Assembly of 2005.

4 (2) The Committee may examine the need for additional alterations to
5 the unemployment insurance system, including the charging and taxation provisions
6 and the eligibility and benefit provisions, in consideration of the fairness of the system
7 and in order to maintain the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund at a level sufficient
8 to ensure that benefits will be paid from the Fund.

9 (f) (1) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staffing for
10 the Committee.

11 (2) The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall report
12 to the Committee on the condition of unemployment insurance in the State.

13 (g) A member of the Committee may not receive compensation for serving on
14 the Committee, but is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard
15 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

16 (h) The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the
17 Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of this title, the General Assembly on December 31
18 of each year.

19 **Chapter 50 of the Acts of 2007**

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 June 1, 2007. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and 7 months and, at the
22 end of December 31, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly,
23 this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

24 **Chapter 51 of the Acts of 2007**

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29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 October 1, 2010.

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