

1-1 By: Springer S.B. No. 150
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 14, 2022; February 15, 2023,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources &
 1-4 Economic Development; April 26, 2023, reported adversely, with
 1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5,
 1-6 Nays 4; April 26, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10		X		
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1-14	X			
1-15	X			
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 150 By: Zaffirini

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the maximum amount of unemployment benefits payable to
 1-22 an individual during a benefit year under the state unemployment
 1-23 insurance program.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 207, Labor Code, is
 1-26 amended by adding Section 207.0055 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 207.0055. MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF BENEFITS; SLIDING SCALE.

1-28 (a) In this section, "state average unemployment rate" means the
 1-29 average seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in this state, as
 1-30 published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, during
 1-31 the most recent completed calendar year quarter preceding the first
 1-32 day of an individual's benefit year.

1-33 (b) The maximum amount of benefits payable to an eligible
 1-34 individual during a benefit year is an amount determined by the
 1-35 state average unemployment rate on a sliding scale as follows:

1-36 (1) 12 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-37 rate is not greater than 5.5 percent;

1-38 (2) 13 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-39 rate is at least 5.6 percent but not greater than 6 percent;

1-40 (3) 14 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-41 rate is at least 6.1 percent but not greater than 6.5 percent;

1-42 (4) 15 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-43 rate is at least 6.6 percent but not greater than 7 percent;

1-44 (5) 16 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-45 rate is at least 7.1 percent but not greater than 7.5 percent;

1-46 (6) 17 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-47 rate is at least 7.6 percent but not greater than 8 percent;

1-48 (7) 18 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-49 rate is at least 8.1 percent but not greater than 8.5 percent;

1-50 (8) 19 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-51 rate is at least 8.6 percent but not greater than 9 percent;

1-52 (9) 20 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-53 rate is greater than 9 percent but not greater than 9.5 percent;

1-54 (10) 21 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-55 rate is at least 9.6 percent but not greater than 10 percent; and

1-56 (11) 27 times the individual's benefit amount, if the
 1-57 rate is greater than 10 percent.

1-58 SECTION 2. Section 215.043(a), Labor Code, is amended to
 1-59 read as follows:

1-60 (a) An individual is not entitled to receive shared work

2-1 benefits and regular unemployment compensation benefits that
2-2 exceed the maximum total benefits payable to the individual in a
2-3 benefit year as provided by Section 207.0055 [~~207.005~~].

2-4 SECTION 3. Section 207.005, Labor Code, is repealed.

2-5 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
2-6 a claim for unemployment compensation benefits filed with the Texas
2-7 Workforce Commission on or after the effective date of this Act. A
2-8 claim filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the
2-9 law in effect on the date the claim was filed, and the former law is
2-10 continued in effect for that purpose.

2-11 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect January 1, 2024.

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