1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: \$3/27/13		
2	89th General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2013		SENATE BILL 875	
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5	By: Senator Hester			
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7		For An Act To Be Entitled		
8	AN ACT TO	AN ACT TO ADJUST WEEKLY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT AMOUNTS		
9	TO THE EX	TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE FEDERAL NONREDUCTION RULE ON		
10	BENEFITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.			
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13		Subtitle		
14	TO A	ADJUST WEEKLY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT		
15	AMOUNTS TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE FEDERAL			
16	NONREDUCTION RULE ON BENEFITS.			
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19	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:			
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21	SECTION 1	1. Effective on the latter of January	1, 2014, or the	
22	date the federal nonreduction rule on benefits expires under the American			
23	Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, Pub. L. No. 112-240, Arkansas Code § 11-10-			
24	502(c), concerning we	eekly benefit amount for unemployment	benefits, is	
25	amended to read as fo	ollows:		
26	(c)(1) <u>(A)</u> A we	eekly benefit amount shall not be grea	ter than sixty-six	
27	and two-thirds percer	nt (662/3%) of the state average weekl;	y wage for insured	
28	employment for the pa	revious calendar year for benefit year	s beginning after	
29	June 30, 1985.			
30	(2) Howe	ever, effective July 1, 2012, the week	ly maximum benefit	
31	amount established in	n subdivision (c)(1) of this section s	hall not be greater	
32	than four hundred fif	fty one dollars (\$451) <u>sixty percent (</u>	60%) of the state	
33	average weekly wage f	for insured employment for the previous	s calendar year.	
34	<u>(B)</u>) However, the weekly maximum benefit	amount established	
35	in subdivision (c)(1))(A) of this section shall not be grea	ter than three	
36	hundred twenty-five d	<u>dollars (\$325).</u>		

1	(2) A weekly benefit amount at a level below the maximum weekly
2	benefit amount shall be reduced by ten percent (10%) from the current level,
3	but not below eighty-one dollars (\$81.00).
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