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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to extend unemployment benefits.

Whereas, the deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2011 and to make certain changes in law, each of which is immediately necessary to carry out those appropriations or to accomplish other important public purposes, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purposes, which are
- 2 forthwith to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2011 and to make certain changes
- 3 in law, each of which is immediately necessary to carry out those appropriations or to
- 4 accomplish other important public purposes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency
- 5 law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

6 Section 45 of chapter 30 of the acts of 2009 is hereby amended by adding the following
7 subsection:-

8 (f) Notwithstanding paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (1) of section 30A of chapter 151A of
9 the General Laws and paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (b):

10 (1) with respect to weeks of unemployment beginning on or after the effective date of enactment
11 of Public Law 111-312 and ending on or before December 31, 2011 or the date established in
12 federal law permitting this provision: (A) there is a state “on” indicator under paragraph (d) of
13 subsection (1) of section 30A of chapter 151A for a week: (i) if the average rate of insured
14 unemployment for the period consisting of such week and the immediately preceding twelve
15 weeks equals or exceeds 5 per cent, and (ii) the average rate of insured unemployment for the
16 period consisting of such week and the immediately preceding twelve weeks equals or exceeds
17 120 per cent of the average of such rates for the corresponding 13-week period ending in each of
18 the preceding 3 calendar years; (B) there is a state “off” indicator for a week based on the rate of
19 insured unemployment only if for the period consisting of such week and the immediately
20 preceding twelve weeks, clause (A) of paragraph (1) does not result in an “on” indicator.

21 (2) with respect to the weeks of unemployment referred to in paragraph (1) : (A)(i) there is a
22 state “on” indicator for a week if the average rate of total unemployment , seasonally adjusted, as
23 determined by the United States Secretary of Labor, for the period consisting of the most recent
24 3 months for which data for all states are published before the close of such week equals or
25 exceeds 6.5 per cent , but 8.0 percent in a “high unemployment period” as defined in clause (A)
26 of paragraph (3) of subsection (b), and (ii) the average rate of total unemployment in the state,
27 seasonally adjusted, as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor, for the 3-month

28 period referred to in clause (i), equals or exceeds 110 per cent of such average for any or all of
29 the corresponding 3-month periods in the 3 preceding calendar years; (B) there is a state “off”
30 indicator for a week based on the rate of total unemployment only if for the period consisting of
31 the most recent 3 months for which the data for all states are published before the close of such
32 week, clause (A) of paragraph (2) does not result in an “on” indicator.