

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO
B-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 916**

June 11

Amended Summary

Digest: The Act would repeal the law that denies UI benefits to a person who is unemployed due to an active labor dispute. The Act would make it so that striking workers have an extra unpaid week before they qualify for benefits, which are subject to a possible limit based on the UI tax schedule at the time. The Act would require benefits to be paid back if they are overpaid due to the worker’s later receipt of back pay. The Act would make a school district deduct from a worker’s future wages benefits charged for weeks during a labor dispute. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).

Provides that an individual otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance benefits is not disqualified for any week that the individual’s unemployment is due to a labor dispute in active progress at the individual’s place of employment. Provides that individuals unemployed due to a strike are disqualified for benefits for one week before eligibility begins, with the usual unpaid waiting week, subject to a [possible] limit based on the tax schedule in effect at the time. Provides for the collection of benefits overpaid during a strike due to the later receipt of back pay. Requires a school district to deduct from an employee’s future wages benefits charged for weeks during a labor dispute.

President Wagner:

Your Conference Committee to whom was referred B-engrossed Senate Bill 916, having had the same under consideration, respectfully reports it back with the recommendation that the Senate concur in the House amendments dated May 29 and that the bill be amended as follows and re-passed.

On page 2 of the printed B-engrossed bill, line 10, delete “subsequent week” and insert “of the subsequent 10 weeks”.

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/s/ Deb Patterson
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/s/ Lisa Fragala
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