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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - UNEMPLOYMENT FUND  
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Introduced By: Representatives MacBeth, McLaughlin, Dickinson, Chippendale, and  
Costantino

Date Introduced: May 01, 2014

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 28-43-8.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-43 entitled  
2 "Employment Security - Contributions" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **28-43-8.1. Time and manner of payment of employer contributions. – (a)**  
4 Contributions required under this chapter for each year shall be paid by each employer in the  
5 manner and at the times ~~that the director may prescribe~~ prescribed herein.

6 (b) The director of the department of labor and training shall report to the chairperson of  
7 the house finance committee seven (7) days prior to the end of each fiscal quarter the projected  
8 balance at the end of that quarter, and for the entire year, in the employment security fund.

9 (c) Should a negative balance be projected, requiring the imposition of a surtax, that  
10 surcharge shall be calculated and imposed by the director, in equal amounts on the final two (2)  
11 quarter's payments. The report shall be accompanied with recommendations and evaluations as to  
12 the status of the fund, and also state the department's position in regard to any further borrowing  
13 from the federal government for the fund.

14 (d) Each employer paying into the employment security fund shall be given notice of the  
15 potential for a surcharge imposition and amount at the time reports are made by the director to the  
16 chairperson of the house finance committee.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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1           This act would require notice by the director of labor and training to the chair of house  
2 finance, and to the employers of the possibility of a surcharge being imposed on employers'  
3 contributions. It would also require the surcharge not be collected until the final two (2) quarters.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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