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HOUSE BILL NO. 1035

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce and Energy at the request of the Department
of Labor and Regulation

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to rename the unemployment insurance program to the
2 reemployment assistance program.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 61-1-1 be amended to read:

5 61-1-1. Terms used in this title mean:

6 (1) "Annual payroll," the total amount of taxable wages paid by an employer during a
7 calendar year for employment;

8 (2) "Base period," the first four out of the last five completed calendar quarters
9 immediately preceding an individual's benefit year. For an individual who fails to
10 meet the qualifications of § 61-6-4 due to the receipt of temporary total disability
11 payments under worker's compensation, the base period is the first four of the last
12 five completed quarters preceding the disability if a claim for ~~unemployment~~
13 reemployment assistance benefits is filed within twenty-four months of the date on
14 which the individual's disability was incurred. For an individual who fails to meet the
15 minimum requirements of § 61-6-4 due to insufficient wages, the base period is the



- 1 four completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the individual's benefit year.
- 2 However, no calendar quarter used in one base period of a valid claim may be used
- 3 in a subsequent base period;
- 4 (3) "Benefit year," the one-year period beginning with the day on which a claimant files
- 5 a valid new claim for benefits, or the one-year period beginning with the day on
- 6 which a claimant files a valid new claim after the termination of his last preceding
- 7 benefit year;
- 8 (4) "Benefits," the money payments payable to an unemployed individual, as provided
- 9 in this title;
- 10 (5) "Calendar quarter," the period of three consecutive calendar months ending on March
- 11 thirty-first, June thirtieth, September thirtieth, or December thirty-first;
- 12 (6) "Contributions," the money payments to the state unemployment compensation fund
- 13 required by this title to finance reemployment assistance benefits;
- 14 (7) "Department," the Department of Labor and Regulation created by chapter 1-37;
- 15 (8) "Educational service agency," a governmental agency or governmental entity which
- 16 is established and operated exclusively for the purpose of providing services to one
- 17 or more educational institutions;
- 18 (9) "Employment office," a free public employment office, or branch thereof, operated
- 19 by this state or maintained as part of a state or federal controlled system of public
- 20 employment offices;
- 21 (10) "Employment security administration fund," the employment security administration
- 22 fund established by this title;
- 23 (11) "Extended benefits," the benefits that are provided in §§ 61-6-49 to 61-6-66,
- 24 inclusive;

- 1 (12) "Fund," the unemployment compensation fund established by this title;
- 2 (13) "Hospital," an institution which has been licensed, certified or approved by the State
3 Department of Health as a hospital;
- 4 (14) "Institution of higher education," an educational institution which:
- 5 (a) Admits as regular students only individuals having a certificate of graduation
6 from a high school, or the recognized equivalent of such a certificate; and
- 7 (b) Is legally authorized in this state to provide a program of education beyond
8 high school; and
- 9 (c) Provides an educational program for which it awards a bachelor's or higher
10 degree, or provides a program which is acceptable for full credit toward such
11 a degree, provides an educational program of postgraduate or postdoctoral
12 studies, or provides an educational program of training to prepare students for
13 gainful employment in a recognized occupation; and
- 14 (d) Is a public or other nonprofit institution.
- 15 Notwithstanding any of the foregoing provisions of this subdivision, all colleges and
16 universities in this state are "institutions of higher education";
- 17 (15) "Insured work," employment for employers as defined in §§ 61-1-4 to 61-1-45,
18 inclusive;
- 19 (16) "State," a state of the United States of America and the District of Columbia, the
20 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands;
- 21 (17) "Wages," all remuneration paid for services, including commissions and bonuses.
22 The term does not include remuneration described by §§ 61-1-46 to 61-1-50,
23 inclusive. The term includes tips and other remuneration upon which a tax is imposed
24 by the Federal Unemployment Tax Act and the reasonable cash value of

1 remuneration paid in any medium other than cash determined in accordance with
2 rules promulgated pursuant to chapter 1-26 by the secretary of labor and regulation;

3 (18) "Week," the period or periods of seven consecutive calendar days ending at midnight.
4 The secretary of labor and regulation may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26
5 to prescribe that a week is in, within or during that benefit year which includes the
6 greater part. For the purpose of § 61-1-4, if a week includes both December thirty-
7 first and January first, the days of that week up to January first shall be considered
8 one calendar week and the days beginning January first another week;

9 (19) "Weekly benefit amount," the amount of benefits an individual is entitled to receive
10 for one week of total unemployment. An individual's weekly benefit amount
11 determined for the first week of his benefit year shall constitute his weekly benefit
12 amount throughout the benefit year;

13 (20) "Reemployment assistance," the cash benefits payable to an individual with respect
14 to the individual's unemployment pursuant to the provisions of this title. When
15 applicable, the term also means cash benefits payable to an individual with respect
16 to the individual's unemployment pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §§ 8501-8525, 26 U.S.C.
17 §§ 3301-3311, 42 U.S.C. §§ 504-504, 1101-1110, and 1321-1324, or pursuant to
18 state laws which have been certified pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 3304 and 42 U.S.C.
19 § 503. Any reference to reemployment assistance means compensation payable from
20 an unemployment fund as defined in section 3306(f) of the Federal Internal Revenue
21 Code as amended to January 1, 2019.

22 Section 2. That § 61-1-14 be amended to read:

23 61-1-14. The governing body of any political subdivision may establish an unemployment
24 insurance compensation fund. Expenditures from the fund shall be made only for payment of

1 reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance claims pursuant to the Federal
2 Unemployment Insurance Act of 1939 as amended on January 1, 2005, and state law.
3 Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 7-21-25 and 9-21-9, expenditures from the fund may be
4 made without specific appropriations authority.

5 Section 3. That § 61-1-30 be amended to read:

6 61-1-30. The term, employment, includes an individual's service, wherever performed within
7 the United States, the Virgin Islands, or Canada, if:

- 8 (1) ~~Such~~ The service is not covered under the reemployment assistance or unemployment
9 compensation law of any other state, the Virgin Islands, or Canada; and
10 (2) The place from which the service is directed or controlled is in this state.

11 Section 4. That § 61-1-32 be amended to read:

12 61-1-32. As used in this title, the term "employment" does not include service with respect
13 to which reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation is payable under an
14 unemployment compensation system established by an act of Congress. However, the
15 Department of Labor and Regulation shall enter into agreements with the proper agencies under
16 any such act of Congress, to provide reciprocal treatment to individuals who have, after
17 acquiring potential rights to benefits under this title, acquired rights to reemployment assistance
18 or unemployment compensation under an act of Congress, or who have, after acquiring potential
19 rights to unemployment compensation under ~~such~~ an act of Congress, acquired rights to benefits
20 under this title.

21 Section 5. That § 61-1-37 be amended to read:

22 61-1-37. As used in this title, the term, employment, does not include:

- 23 (1) Service performed during a calendar quarter in the employ of an organization exempt
24 from income tax under section 501(a)(other than an organization described in 401(a))

1 or under section 521 of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, if the remuneration for
2 such services does not exceed fifty dollars; or

3 (2) Service performed in the employ of a school, college or university:

4 (a) By a student who is enrolled and is regularly attending classes at the school,
5 college, or university, or

6 (b) By the spouse of a student, if the spouse is advised, at the time the spouse
7 commences to perform the service, that this employment is included under a
8 program to provide financial assistance to the student by the school, college
9 or university, and that employment is not covered by any program of
10 reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance, or

11 (3) Service performed by an individual who is enrolled for credit at a nonprofit or public
12 educational institution, which maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and has a
13 regularly organized body of students in attendance at the place where its educational
14 activities are carried on, as a student in a full-time program, which combines
15 academic instruction with work experience, if the service is an integral part of that
16 program and if the institution has so certified to the employer. This subdivision does
17 not apply to service performed in a program established for or on behalf of an
18 employer or group of employers.

19 Section 6. That § 61-1-46 be amended to read:

20 61-1-46. As used in this title, the term, wages, means remuneration paid in a calendar year
21 to an employee by an employer or the employer's predecessor for employment during any
22 calendar year. The term includes remuneration in addition to the wages defined in this section
23 which are subject to a federal law imposing a tax against which credit may be taken for
24 contributions required to be paid into a state unemployment fund.

1 The term, ~~wages~~, does not include remuneration of more than:

2 (1) Seven thousand dollars, from January 1, 1983, to December 31, 2006, inclusive;

3 (2) Eight thousand five hundred dollars, from January 1, 2007, to December 31, 2007,
4 inclusive;

5 (3) Nine thousand dollars, from January 1, 2008, to December 31, 2008, inclusive;

6 (4) Nine thousand five hundred dollars, from January 1, 2009, to December 31, 2009,
7 inclusive;

8 (5) Ten thousand dollars, from January 1, 2010, to December 31, 2010, inclusive;

9 (6) Eleven thousand dollars, from January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2011, inclusive;

10 (7) Twelve thousand dollars, from January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2012, inclusive;

11 (8) Thirteen thousand dollars, from January 1, 2013, to December 31, 2013, inclusive;

12 (9) Fourteen thousand dollars, from January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2014, inclusive;
13 and

14 (10) Fifteen thousand dollars, on and after January 1, 2015.

15 In this section, the term, employment, includes service constituting employment under any
16 reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation law of another state.

17 Section 7. That § 61-2-7.1 be amended to read:

18 61-2-7.1. The Governor shall appoint from a list submitted by the department a state
19 ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance advisory council, composed of men and
20 women, including an equal number of employer representatives and employee representatives
21 who may fairly be regarded as representative because of their vocation, employment, or
22 affiliations, and of ~~such~~ any members representing the general public as the department may
23 designate. ~~Such~~ The council shall aid the department in reviewing the ~~unemployment insurance~~
24 reemployment assistance program as to ~~its~~ the program's content, adequacy and effectiveness

1 and to make recommendations for its improvement. The advisory council shall meet as
2 frequently as the department ~~deems~~ determines is necessary, but not less than twice each year.
3 The advisory council shall make reports of its meetings which shall include a record of its
4 discussions and its recommendations. The department shall make ~~such~~ the reports available to
5 any interested persons or groups.

6 Section 8. That § 61-2-7.2 be amended to read:

7 61-2-7.2. The ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance advisory council shall be
8 administered under the direction and supervision of the Department of Labor and Regulation
9 and the secretary thereof, but shall retain the respective quasi-judicial, quasi-legislative,
10 advisory, other nonadministrative and special budgetary functions (as defined in § 1-32-1)
11 otherwise vested in ~~them~~ the council and shall exercise those functions independently of the
12 secretary of labor and regulation.

13 Section 9. That § 61-2-8 be amended to read:

14 61-2-8. The ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance advisory council appointed
15 pursuant to § 61-2-7.1 shall meet on call of the department and shall aid the department in
16 formulating policies and discussing problems relating to the administration of this title and in
17 assuring impartiality and freedom from political influence in the solution of such problems.

18 Section 10. That § 61-2-19 be amended to read:

19 61-2-19. If, in the judgment of the secretary of labor and regulation, the interests of the
20 Department of Labor and Regulation established by this title are involved in any proposed or
21 pending change in federal law or administrative policy pertaining to the program, the secretary
22 may represent these interests to the delegation of this state in the federal Congress. The secretary
23 may co-operate with the other state labor agencies through any association of such state agencies
24 which has been or may hereafter be organized, when the interests of the states generally in their

1 reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation program are similarly involved.

2 Section 11. That § 61-3-18 be amended to read:

3 61-3-18. The department shall promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 necessary to secure
4 to this state and its citizens all advantages available under the provisions of the Social Security
5 Act that relate to reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation, the Federal
6 Unemployment Tax Act, the Wagner-Peyser Act, and the Federal-State Extended
7 Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970.

8 Section 12. That § 61-3-19 be amended to read:

9 61-3-19. The department shall participate in any arrangements for the payment of
10 compensation on the basis of combining an individual's wages and employment covered under
11 this title with the individual's wages and employment covered under the reemployment
12 assistance or unemployment compensation laws of other states which are approved by the
13 United States secretary of labor in consultation with the state reemployment assistance or
14 unemployment compensation agencies as reasonably calculated to assure the prompt and full
15 payment of compensation in ~~such~~ the situations and which include provisions for applying the
16 base period of a single state law to a claim involving the combining of an individual's wages and
17 employment covered under two or more state reemployment assistance or unemployment
18 compensation laws, and avoiding the duplicate use of wages and employment by reason of such
19 combining.

20 Section 13. That § 61-5-39 be amended to read:

21 61-5-39. Each employer's experience-rating account shall be charged with all benefits
22 chargeable, as provided in this title, except extended benefits paid as provided in §§ 61-6-49 to
23 61-6-66, inclusive, against wages paid for employment by the employer. However, no benefits
24 paid on the basis of a period of employment may be charged to the experience-rating account

1 of any employer, except as provided in § 61-5-41, if the claimant:

2 (1) Voluntarily separated without good cause attributable to the employer or the
3 employment;

4 (2) Was discharged or suspended for misconduct connected with the employment, or for
5 conduct mandated by religious belief which belief cannot be reasonably
6 accommodated by the employer;

7 (3) Was discharged or suspended for inability or incompetence to successfully complete
8 a ninety-day probationary period established between the employer and employee at
9 the time of employment;

10 (4) Earned total base period wages of less than one hundred dollars with one employer;

11 (5) Is receiving benefits while in approved training authorized by § 61-6-21;

12 (6) Performed services while incarcerated in a custodial or penal institution and
13 terminated such employment because of his transfer or release from the institution;

14 (7) Received benefits for unemployment directly caused by a major natural disaster
15 declared by the president pursuant to section 410(a) of the Robert T. Stafford
16 Disaster Relief and Employment Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 5177, if the individual
17 would have been eligible for disaster unemployment assistance with respect to that
18 unemployment but for ~~their~~ the receipt of reemployment assistance or unemployment
19 insurance benefits;

20 (8) Received benefits for unemployment resulting directly from the reinstatement of
21 another employee upon that employee's completion of service in the uniformed
22 services as provided in 38 U.S.C. § 4303(13) as of January 1, 2005, or the completion
23 of state active duty by members of the National Guard who are activated pursuant to
24 a call from the Governor as provided by law; or

1 (9) Voluntarily separated to accompany a spouse who was reassigned from one military
2 assignment to another.

3 However, no relief of charges applies if the department determines that an erroneous
4 payment has been made because the employer, or an agent of the employer, was at fault for
5 failing to respond timely or adequately to the department's request for information relating to
6 the payment of benefits. For the purposes of this section, an erroneous payment is a payment
7 that would not have been made but for the failure of the employer or the employer's agent to
8 fully respond to the department's request pursuant to § 61-7-5.

9 Section 14. That § 61-5-67 be amended to read:

10 61-5-67. Any state of the United States of America ~~shall have the right to~~ may sue in the
11 courts of South Dakota to recover any tax which may be owing to it for reemployment
12 assistance or unemployment insurance contributions when the like right is accorded to the state
13 of South Dakota by ~~such that~~ such the state, whether ~~such the~~ such the right is granted by a statutory authority, or
14 as a matter of comity.

15 Section 15. That § 61-6-20 be amended to read:

16 61-6-20. A person attending a high school, vocational school, college or university is
17 considered principally occupied as a student if school attendance substantially reduces the
18 opportunity for reemployment. A person who is principally occupied as a student ~~is not entitled~~
19 ~~to~~ may not receive ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance benefits.

20 Section 16. That § 61-6-37 be amended to read:

21 61-6-37. An individual is not entitled to any benefits for any week with respect to which or
22 a part of which the individual has received or is seeking ~~unemployment benefits~~ reemployment
23 assistance under ~~an~~ a reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation law of another
24 state or of the United States. However, if the appropriate agency of ~~such the~~ such the other state or of the

1 United States finally determines that the individual is not entitled to the ~~unemployment~~
2 reemployment assistance benefits, this disqualification does not apply.

3 Section 17. That § 61-6-38 be amended to read:

4 61-6-38. It is unlawful for any person to make a false statement or representation knowing
5 it to be false or knowingly fail to disclose a material fact to obtain or increase any benefits or
6 other payments under this title, or under an unemployment insurance law of another state, of the
7 federal government, or of a foreign government, either for ~~himself, herself~~ the person, or any
8 other person, or knowingly fail to report any change in circumstances which would affect the
9 person's eligibility for ~~unemployment~~ reemployment assistance benefits or payments.

10 Section 18. That § 61-6-43 be amended to read:

11 61-6-43. If an agency administering another reemployment assistance or unemployment
12 compensation law in another state has overpaid benefits to an individual located in South
13 Dakota, the Department of Labor and Regulation may, in its own name and acting as agent for
14 such other agency, collect the overpayment by civil action and pay the net amount recovered to
15 ~~such~~ the agency in the manner provided in §§ 61-5-59 to 61-5-66, inclusive. If benefits are
16 currently payable to ~~such~~ the individual, the department may, with notice to the individual, pay
17 as much of ~~such~~ the benefits to ~~such~~ the agency as are necessary to satisfy the individual's
18 indebtedness to ~~such~~ the agency.

19 Section 19. That § 61-6-48 be amended to read:

20 61-6-48. Any assignment, pledge, or encumbrance of any right to benefits which are or may
21 become due or payable under this title is void except as provided in this section. The rights to
22 benefits are exempt from levy, execution, attachment, or any other remedy provided for the
23 collection of debt. Any benefits received by any individual, so long as the benefits are not
24 mingled with other funds of the recipient, are exempt from any remedy for the collection of all

1 debts, except debts incurred for necessities furnished to the individual, the individual's spouse,
2 or dependents during the time when the individual was unemployed. Any waiver not provided
3 for in this section is void.

4 The secretary of the Department of Labor and Regulation shall furnish information on
5 individuals receiving ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance benefits to the
6 Department of Social Services in accordance with section 303(e) of the Social Security Act as
7 amended by section 2333(b) of P. L. 97-5--August 13, 1981. The secretary may also furnish this
8 information in accordance with section 13 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 as amended by
9 section 1535 of P.L. 99-198. The Department of Social Services determines periodically
10 whether any of these individuals receiving ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance
11 owe child support obligations or an uncollected overissuance of food stamp coupons.

12 Each new applicant filing for ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance benefits
13 shall disclose any obligation for child support payments in accordance with section 454(19) of
14 the Social Security Act as amended by section 101(a) of P.L. 93-647, and may be required to
15 disclose any obligation for uncollected overissuances (as defined in section 13(c)(1) of the Food
16 Stamp Act of 1977) of food stamp coupons, to the Department of Labor and Regulation at the
17 time of filing. If an individual disclosing child support obligations is eligible for ~~unemployment~~
18 ~~insurance~~ reemployment assistance benefits, the secretary shall notify the Department of Social
19 Services.

20 The secretary shall deduct from an eligible individual's ~~unemployment insurance~~
21 reemployment assistance benefit payment and pay to the secretary of the Department of Social
22 Services:

- 23 (1) The amount determined by agreement between the individual and the Department of
24 Labor and Regulation; or

1 (2) The amount determined by agreement between the individual and the Department of
2 Social Services; or

3 (3) The amount determined by the Department of Social Services through legal
4 processes.

5 If an individual disclosing an uncollected overissuance of food stamp coupons is eligible for
6 ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance benefits, the secretary may notify the
7 Department of Social Services. The secretary may also deduct from an eligible individual's
8 ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance benefit payment, and pay to the secretary of
9 the Department of Social Services, the amount determined by subdivisions (1) to (3), inclusive,
10 of this section.

11 The secretary of the Department of Social Services shall reimburse the Department of Labor
12 and Regulation for administrative costs incurred by the Department of Labor and Regulation
13 attributable to child support payment obligations and food stamp overissuance obligations being
14 enforced by the Department of Social Services.

15 Section 20. That subdivision (7) of § 61-6-49 be amended to read:

16 (7) "State law," the reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance law of any
17 state, approved by the United States secretary of labor under section 3304 of the
18 Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

19 Section 21. That § 61-6-58 be amended to read:

20 61-6-58. The term, exhaustee, under the provisions of §§ 61-6-49 to 61-6-63, inclusive,
21 includes an individual who, with respect to any week of unemployment in the individual's
22 eligibility period:

23 (1) The individual's benefit year having ended prior to ~~such~~ that week, has insufficient
24 wages or employment, or both, on the basis of which the individual could establish

1 in any state a new benefit year that would include the week, or having established a
 2 new benefit year that includes the week, the individual is precluded from receiving
 3 regular benefits by reason of the provision in § 61-6-36, which meets the requirement
 4 of section 3304 (a)(7) of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, or the similar provision
 5 in any other state law; ~~and~~

6 (2) Has no right for the week to reemployment assistance or unemployment benefits or
 7 allowances, as the case may be, under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, the
 8 Trade Expansion Act of 1962, and such other federal laws as are specified in
 9 regulations issued by the United States secretary of labor; and

10 (3) Has not received and is not seeking for the week ~~unemployment benefits~~
 11 reemployment assistance under the unemployment compensation law of the Virgin
 12 Islands or Canada, unless the appropriate agency finally determines that the
 13 individual is not entitled to ~~unemployment benefits~~ reemployment assistance under
 14 the law for the week.

15 Section 22. That § 61-6-67 be amended to read:

16 61-6-67. Any person filing a new claim for ~~unemployment compensation~~ reemployment
 17 assistance shall, at the time of filing the claim, be advised that:

18 (1) ~~Unemployment compensation~~ Reemployment assistance is subject to federal income
 19 tax;

20 (2) Requirements exist pertaining to estimated tax payments;

21 (3) The person may elect to have federal income tax deducted and withheld from the
 22 person's payment of ~~unemployment compensation~~ reemployment assistance at the
 23 amount specified in the Federal Internal Revenue Code; and

24 (4) The person may change a previously elected withholding status.

1 Amounts deducted and withheld from ~~unemployment compensation~~ reemployment
2 assistance shall remain in the unemployment fund until transferred to the federal taxing
3 authority as a payment of income tax. The secretary shall follow all procedures specified by the
4 United States Department of Labor and the Internal Revenue Service pertaining to the deduction
5 and withholding of income tax. Amounts shall be deducted and withheld under this section only
6 after amounts are deducted and withheld for any overpayments of ~~unemployment compensation~~
7 reemployment assistance, child support obligations, food stamp over-issuances, or any other
8 amounts required to be deducted and withheld under this title.

9 Section 23. That § 1-37-4 be amended to read:

10 1-37-4. The Department of Labor and Regulation shall, under the direction and control of
11 the secretary of labor and regulation, perform all administrative functions except special
12 budgetary functions (as defined in § 1-32-1) of the following advisory councils:

- 13 (1) The state workers' compensation advisory council; and
- 14 (2) The ~~unemployment insurance~~ reemployment assistance advisory council.

15 Section 24. That subdivision (7) of § 10-6A-1 be amended to read:

16 (7) "Income," the sum of adjusted gross income as defined in the United States Internal
17 Revenue Code, as defined by § 10-1-47, and IRA disbursements, the amount of
18 capital gains excluded from adjusted gross income, alimony, support money,
19 nontaxable strike benefits, cash public assistance and relief, the gross amount of any
20 pension or annuity, including Railroad Retirement Act benefits and veterans
21 disability pensions, all payments received under the federal social security and state
22 reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance laws, nontaxable interest, life
23 insurance proceeds that exceed twenty thousand dollars, any gift or inheritance that
24 exceeds five hundred dollars, proceeds from a court action, any sale of a personal

1 item that exceeds five hundred dollars, foster care income, and workers'
2 compensation;

3 Section 25. That subdivision (5) of § 10-6B-1 be amended to read:

4 (5) "Income," the sum of adjusted gross income as defined in the United States Internal
5 Revenue Code, as defined by § 10-1-47, and all nontaxable income, including the
6 amount of capital gains excluded from adjusted gross income, alimony, support
7 money, nontaxable strike benefits, cash, public assistance and relief, not including
8 relief granted under this chapter, the gross amount of any pension or annuity,
9 including Railroad Retirement Act benefits and veterans' disability pensions, all
10 payments received under the federal social security and state reemployment
11 assistance or unemployment insurance laws, nontaxable interest received from the
12 federal government or any of its instrumentalities, workers' compensation, and the
13 gross amount of "loss of time" insurance, but not including gifts from
14 nongovernmental sources, food stamps, or surplus foods or other relief in kind
15 provided by a public agency less real estate taxes payable on the applicant's principal
16 residence for the year in which application is made;

17 Section 26. That subdivision (6) of § 10-18A-1 be amended to read:

18 (6) "Income," the sum of adjusted gross income as defined in the United States Internal
19 Revenue Code, as defined by § 10-1-47, and all nontaxable income, including the
20 amount of capital gains excluded from adjusted gross income, alimony, support
21 money, nontaxable strike benefits, cash public assistance and relief, not including
22 relief granted under this chapter, the gross amount of any pension or annuity,
23 including Railroad Retirement Act benefits and veterans' disability pensions, all
24 payments received under the federal social security and state reemployment

1 assistance or unemployment insurance laws, nontaxable interest received from the
2 federal government or any of its instrumentalities, workers' compensation, and the
3 gross amount of loss of time insurance, but not including gifts from nongovernmental
4 sources, food stamps, or surplus foods, or other relief in kind provided by a public
5 agency less real estate taxes payable on the applicant's principal residence for the year
6 in which application is made. However, the reduction in the applicant's income for
7 real estate taxes payable may not exceed four hundred dollars;

8 Section 27. That subdivision (5) of § 10-45A-1 be amended to read:

9 (5) "Income," the sum of adjusted gross income as defined in the United States Internal
10 Revenue Code, as defined by § 10-1-47, and all nontaxable income, including the
11 amount of capital gains excluded from adjusted gross income, alimony, support
12 money, nontaxable strike benefits, cash public assistance and relief, not including
13 relief granted under this chapter, the gross amount of any pension or annuity,
14 including Railroad Retirement Act benefits and veterans' disability pensions, all
15 payments received under the federal social security and state reemployment
16 assistance or unemployment insurance laws, nontaxable interest received from the
17 federal government or any of its instrumentalities, workers' compensation, and the
18 gross amount of loss of time insurance, but not including gifts from nongovernmental
19 sources, food stamps, or surplus foods, or other relief in kind provided by a public
20 agency, less real estate taxes payable or ten percent of rent paid on the applicant's
21 principal residence for the year in which application is made. However, the reduction
22 in the individual's income may not exceed four hundred dollars;

23 Section 28. That § 23A-28-11 be amended to read:

24 23A-28-11. If the sentencing court orders suspended imposition of sentence, suspended

1 sentence, or probation, the court may require as a condition that the defendant, in cooperation
2 with the court services officer assigned to the defendant, promptly prepare a plan of community
3 service restitution, including the number of work hours to be performed, where the community
4 service work is to be performed, and the time necessary for completion of the community
5 service work. The plan of community service restitution shall be submitted promptly to the
6 court. The court may enter an order approving the plan or modifying it. Any defendant
7 sentenced to community service restitution is not an agent or employee of the recipients of these
8 services. Any recipient of community service restitution, described in subdivision § 23A-28-
9 2(1), does not have to provide the defendant with ~~unemployment compensation~~ reemployment
10 assistance insurance pursuant to Title 61 nor with workers' compensation insurance pursuant
11 to Title 62. Recipients and their officers, agents, and employees are immune from any cause of
12 action for civil damages brought by the defendant or any third party if the cause of action arises
13 from any act of commission or omission by the recipient or any of its officers, agents, or
14 employees or any act of commission or omission by the defendant and the acts arise out of or
15 are in connection with a community service restitution plan, except when the cause of action is
16 the result of gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct of the recipient or its officers,
17 agents, or employees and except to the extent that the recipient has purchased liability insurance.
18 Nothing in this section relieves individual defendants from responsibility for their individual
19 acts.

20 Section 29. That § 25-7-6.3 be amended to read:

21 25-7-6.3. The monthly net income of each parent shall be determined by the parent's gross
22 income less allowable deductions, as set forth in this chapter. The monthly gross income of each
23 parent includes amounts received from the following sources:

24 (1) Compensation paid to an employee for personal services, whether salary, wages,

- 1 commissions, bonus, or otherwise designated;
- 2 (2) Self-employment income including gain, profit, or loss from a business, farm, or
- 3 profession;
- 4 (3) Periodic payments from pensions or retirement programs, including social security
- 5 or veteran's benefits, disability payments, or insurance contracts;
- 6 (4) Interest, dividends, rentals, royalties, or other gain derived from investment of capital
- 7 assets;
- 8 (5) Gain or loss from the sale, trade, or conversion of capital assets;
- 9 (6) ~~Unemployment~~ Reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance benefits;
- 10 (7) Worker's compensation benefits; and
- 11 (8) Benefits in lieu of compensation including military pay allowances.

12 Overtime wages, commissions, and bonuses may be excluded if the compensation is not a
13 regular and recurring source of income for the parent. Income derived from seasonal
14 employment shall be annualized to determine a monthly average income.

15 Section 30. That subdivision (8) of § 25-7A-1 be amended to read:

- 16 (8) "Income," any form of payment to a person, regardless of source, including wages,
- 17 salary, commission, bonuses, compensation as an independent contractor, workers'
- 18 compensation, state reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation,
- 19 disability, annuity and retirement benefits, gift or inheritance, all gain derived from
- 20 capital or labor, profit gained through the sale or conversion of capital assets, and any
- 21 other payments, including personal property, money and credits on deposit with or
- 22 in the possession of, or made by any person, private entity, federal or state
- 23 government, any unit of local government, school district or any entity created by
- 24 public act. However, for the purposes of income withholding, ~~income~~ the term

1 excludes:

- 2 (a) Any amount required by law or as a condition of employment to be withheld,
- 3 other than creditor claims, including federal, state, and local taxes, social
- 4 security, and other retirement contributions;
- 5 (b) Any amount exempted by federal law; and
- 6 (c) Public assistance payments;

7 Section 31. That § 25-7A-32 be amended to read:

8 25-7A-32. The amount actually withheld for support and arrearage may not be in excess of
9 fifty percent of wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, compensation as an independent
10 contractor, workers compensation, reemployment assistance or unemployment compensation,
11 or disability benefits. However, the total amount of arrearage may be withheld from personal
12 property, money, and credits, or other income not otherwise exempt herein.

13 Section 32. That § 25-7A-56.10 be amended to read:

14 25-7A-56.10. Upon receiving notice from the Department of Social Services that a person
15 owes child support, the Department of Labor and Regulation shall immediately withhold funds
16 from the person's ~~unemployment insurance~~ state reemployment assistance benefits and forward
17 the withheld amounts to the Department of Social Services. The Department of Labor and
18 Regulation shall withhold the amount as designated by the Department of Social Services except
19 that the amount actually withheld may not be in excess of fifty percent of the person's benefits.
20 The person shall also be notified that the person may contest the withholding by filing a written
21 request for administrative review with the Department of Social Services in accordance with
22 § 25-7A-26.

23 Section 33. That § 26-8D-13 be amended to read:

24 26-8D-13. Any child required to participate in a community service program is not an agent

1 or employee of the recipients of these services. Any recipient of community service, described
2 in §§ 26-8C-7 and 26-8B-6, does not have to provide the child with ~~unemployment~~
3 ~~compensation~~ reemployment assistance insurance pursuant to title 61 nor with workers'
4 compensation insurance pursuant to title 62. Each recipient and the recipient's officers, agents,
5 and employees are immune from any cause of action for civil damages brought by the child,
6 parents, guardians, or any third party if the cause of action arises from any act of commission
7 or omission by the recipient or any of its officers, agents, or employees or any act of commission
8 or omission by the child and the acts arise out of or are in connection with a community service
9 program, except if the cause of action is the result of gross negligence or willful and wanton
10 misconduct of the recipient or its officers, agents, or employees and except to the extent that the
11 recipient has purchased liability insurance. Nothing in this section relieves any individual child
12 from responsibility for the child's individual acts.

13 Section 34. That § 28-13-32.7 be amended to read:

14 28-13-32.7. For the purpose of determining a household's income, the county shall consider
15 all sources of income, including the following:

- 16 (1) Compensation paid to household members for personal services, whether designated
17 as gross salary, wages, commissions, bonus, or otherwise;
- 18 (2) Net income from self-employment, including profit or loss from a business, farm, or
19 profession;
- 20 (3) Income from seasonal employment;
- 21 (4) Periodic payments from pensions or retirement programs, including social security,
22 veterans' benefits, disability payments, and insurance contracts;
- 23 (5) Income from annuities or trusts, except for a trust held by a third party for the benefit
24 of the minor children of the household;

- 1 (6) Interest, dividends, rents, royalties, or other gain derived from investments or capital
- 2 assets;
- 3 (7) Gain or loss from the sale, trade, or conversion of capital assets;
- 4 (8) ~~Unemployment~~ Reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance benefits and
- 5 strike benefits;
- 6 (9) Workers' compensation benefits and settlements;
- 7 (10) Alimony and child support payments received; and
- 8 (11) School grants and stipends which are used for food, clothing, and housing but not for
- 9 books and tuition.

10 A federal income tax return is the preferred source for determining earnings. If a federal
11 income tax return is not representative of current earnings, the county may also require pay stubs
12 which include gross and net earnings.

13 Section 35. That § 35-2-7 be amended to read:

14 35-2-7. Any license granted under this title may be transferred to a new location or to
15 another person. If the transfer is to another person, the licensee shall show in writing, under
16 oath, that the licensee has made a bulk sale of the business operated under the license. The bulk
17 sale may be conditioned upon the granting of a transfer of the license. The transferee shall make
18 an application exactly as an original applicant, and the application shall be acted upon in the
19 same manner as an original application. No transfer of any license to another person may be
20 granted until all taxes incurred by the transferor as a result of the operation of the licensed
21 premises, including municipal and state sales and use taxes, state reemployment assistance or
22 unemployment insurance tax, or any other state tax, are paid or are not delinquent. No transfer
23 of any license to another person may be granted until all property taxes which are the liability
24 of the licensee levied on the licensed premises are paid or are not delinquent. No transfer of any

1 license may be granted from an Indian tribe operating in Indian country controlled by the Indian
2 tribe or from an enrolled tribal member operating in Indian country controlled by the enrolled
3 tribal member's tribe until all use tax incurred as a result of the operation of the licensed
4 premises by nonmembers, and any other state tax, has been remitted or is not delinquent. If the
5 transfer is to a new location, the licensee shall make application showing all the relevant facts
6 for the new location. The application shall be acted upon in the same manner as an original
7 application. If a license is transferred, a fee of one hundred fifty dollars is required to continue
8 the unexpired portion of the license.

9 Section 36. That § 35-2-24 be amended to read:

10 35-2-24. No license granted under this title may be reissued until all taxes incurred by the
11 licensee as a result of the operation of the licensed premises, including municipal and state sales
12 and use taxes, state reemployment assistance or unemployment insurance tax, or any other state
13 tax, are paid or are not delinquent. No license granted under this title may be reissued until all
14 property taxes which are the liability of the licensee levied on the licensed premises are paid or
15 are not delinquent. No license granted under this title may be reissued to an Indian tribe
16 operating in Indian country controlled by the Indian tribe or to an enrolled tribal member
17 operating in Indian country controlled by the enrolled tribal member's tribe until the Indian tribe
18 or enrolled tribal member remits to the Department of Revenue all use tax incurred by
19 nonmembers as a result of the operation of the licensed premises, and any other state tax has
20 been remitted or is not delinquent.

21 Section 37. That § 60-6-8 be amended to read:

22 60-6-8. For the purpose of establishing and maintaining free public employment offices, the
23 secretary may enter into agreements with the railroad retirement board, or any other agency of
24 the United States charged with the administration of ~~an~~ a state reemployment assistance or

1 unemployment compensation law, or with any political subdivision of this state, or with any
2 private, nonprofit organization, and as a part of any such agreement the secretary may accept
3 moneys, services, or quarters as a contribution to the employment service account.