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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING LESSENING THE REDUCTION OF UNEMPLOYMENT
102	INSURANCE BENEFITS REQUIRED WHEN A CLAIMANT
103	WITHDRAWS AMOUNTS FROM A RETIREMENT PLAN AS A RESULT
104	OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

Under current law, if an unemployment claimant withdraws any amount from a retirement plan contributed to by an employer, the amount

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of the claimant's full balance in the plan is used to determine the length of time the claimant will not be eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits, delaying benefits for individuals otherwise entitled to benefits because of job separation. The bill clarifies that only the amount withdrawn from the retirement plan by the claimant, and not the total balance in the plan, is considered in determining the length of time the claimant is not eligible to receive benefits.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-73-110, amend (3)

3 (a) (III) as follows:

4 8-73-110. Other remuneration - definitions. (3) (a) (III) When 5 an individual receives a lump-sum retirement payment from a plan, fund, 6 or trust that has been contributed to by a base period employer and such 7 THE payment does not meet all of the criteria established in subparagraph 8 (II) of this paragraph (a), then such individual shall be determined to have 9 received, from the date the payment was received by the individual, the 10 individual's full-time weekly wage for a number of consecutive weeks 11 equal to the total amount of the lump-sum retirement payment, divided by 12 the full-time weekly wage THE DIVISION SHALL POSTPONE THE 13 INDIVIDUAL'S BENEFITS FOR A NUMBER OF CALENDAR WEEKS EQUAL TO 14 THE GROSS AMOUNT OF THE LUMP-SUM PAYMENT DIVIDED BY THE 15 INDIVIDUAL'S FULL-TIME WEEKLY WAGE. HOWEVER, WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL 16 RECEIVES A LUMP-SUM RETIREMENT PAYMENT FROM A PLAN, FUND, OR 17 TRUST AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH (III), BUT ONLY REINVESTS 18 A PORTION OF THAT PAYMENT AS REQUIRED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS 19 PARAGRAPH (a), OR WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL OTHERWISE WITHDRAWS AN 20 AMOUNT FROM A PLAN, FUND, OR TRUST THAT IS LESS THAN THE TOTAL 21 LUMP SUM OF THE ACCOUNT, THEN THE DIVISION SHALL CONSIDER ONLY 22 THE PORTION THAT IS RECEIVED BUT NOT REINVESTED PURSUANT TO

SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a) IN DETERMINING THE NUMBER
 OF CALENDAR WEEKS THAT THE INDIVIDUAL'S BENEFITS ARE POSTPONED.
 SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability. This act takes effect
 upon passage and applies to unemployment insurance claims on or after
 said date.
 SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,

determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.