

Subject Modifying definition of reemployment assistance training

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Summary

This bill allows more types of training to be pursued while still qualifying for unemployment insurance.

To qualify for unemployment insurance, an applicant must be engaged in either a job search or qualified training that will increase their employment prospects. Currently, adult basic education, such as English as a second language, high school equivalency, or basic computer skills, is not a “qualified training.” This bill would modify that definition so that applicants could still qualify for benefits while pursuing these and other similar skills that while not specifically tailored to any one occupation, do broadly enhance an applicant’s future employability.