

Subject Unemployment insurance

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Overview

This bill makes hourly school workers eligible for unemployment benefits over the summer; modifies unemployment tax rates for calendar years 2022 and 2023; and appropriates money to replenish the unemployment trust fund.

Summary

Section Description

- 1, 4 Unemployment benefits for hourly school workers; repealer.**
Expands unemployment benefits to eligible contracted school workers, including bus drivers and hourly employees, between school terms. Applies to school workers performing functions that do not require licenses from the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board (PELSB) or the Board of School Administrators (BOSA), including elementary, secondary, and higher education workers. Does not apply to professional licensed school staff such as teachers, principals, administrators, curriculum specialists, school nurses, librarians, or other school employees licensed by PELSB or BOSA. Repeals existing law limiting eligibility for this group.
- 2 Unemployment base tax rate and assessment for calendar years 2022 and 2023.**
Modifies statutory unemployment tax rates for calendar years 2022 and 2023. Sets the base tax rate as 0.1 percent and additional assessment at 0 percent for calendar years 2022 and 2023. Allows the commissioners of employment and economic development and management and budget to redetermine the special assessment rate for calendar year 2022 before April 1, 2022.

Effective the day following final enactment.
- 3 Appropriation.**
Appropriates \$2.7 billion from the general fund to replenish the unemployment trust fund in fiscal year 2022.

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