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Committee Bill No. 46

LCO No. 2571

Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:
(LAB)

**AN ACT CONCERNING SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSETS AND THE
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (g) of section 31-227 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2003*):

4 (g) With respect to benefit years beginning on or after October 1,
5 1981, for any week with respect to which an individual is receiving a
6 pension, which shall include a governmental or other pension,
7 retirement or retired pay, annuity, or any other similar periodic
8 payment, under a plan maintained or contributed to by a base period
9 employer, the weekly benefit rate payable to such individual for such
10 week shall be reduced by the prorated weekly amount of the pension.
11 [Where] If contributions were made to the pension plan by the
12 individual, the prorated weekly pension amount shall be reduced by
13 the proportion [which] that such individual's contributions bear to the
14 total of all payments for such individual into the plan, except that if the
15 pension is paid under the Social Security Act, the individual's
16 contributions to the plan shall reduce the prorated weekly pension

17 amount by fifty per cent. If, as a result of the reduction made under the
18 provisions of this subsection, the individual's weekly benefit rate is not
19 a whole dollar amount, the weekly benefit rate payable to such
20 individual shall be the next lower whole dollar amount. No reduction
21 shall be made under this subsection by reason of the receipt of a
22 pension, except in the case of pensions paid under the Social Security
23 Act or the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, if the services performed
24 by the individual during the base period for such employer, or
25 remuneration received for such services, did not affect the individual's
26 eligibility for, or increase the amount of, such pension, retirement or
27 retired pay, annuity, or similar payment.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2003

Statement of Purpose:

To eliminate the offset of unemployment compensation benefits by one-half of Social Security benefits received.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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