



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5210

LCO No. 98



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:

REP. DUBITSKY, 47th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT
BENEFITS AND SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL BUSINESSES.**

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

- 1 That chapter 567 of the general statutes be amended to update the
- 2 base wage threshold triggering eligibility for unemployment benefits,
- 3 to adjust such base wage threshold annually based on inflation and to
- 4 exempt agricultural employers from participation in the
- 5 unemployment compensation system unless their employees satisfy
- 6 the base wage threshold for at least two consecutive quarters in a
- 7 calendar year.

Statement of Purpose:

To update the basis on which unemployment benefits will be required to be paid and to protect agricultural businesses from disproportionate taxation based on the employment of seasonal workers.