



General Assembly

Amendment

February Session, 2016

LCO No. 4722



Offered by:

REP. ROJAS, 9th Dist.

REP. MINER, 66th Dist.

REP. RUTIGLIANO, 123rd Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. 5367

File No. 230

Cal. No. 173

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT RATE AND AN ONLINE EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 31-231a of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

5 (a) For a construction worker identified pursuant to regulations
6 adopted in accordance with subsection (c) of this section, the total
7 unemployment benefit rate for the individual's benefit year
8 commencing on or after April 1, 1996, shall be an amount equal to one
9 twenty-sixth, rounded to the next lower dollar, of his or her total
10 wages, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 31-222,
11 paid during that quarter of his or her current benefit year's base period
12 in which wages were the highest but not less than fifteen dollars, and
13 commencing after October 1, 2016, shall be an amount equal to one

14 twenty-sixth, rounded to the next lower dollar, of the average of his or
15 her total wages paid during the three quarters of his or her current
16 benefit year's base period in which such wages were highest but not
17 less than fifty dollars nor more than the maximum benefit rate as
18 provided in subsection (b) of this section.

19 (b) For an individual not included in subsection (a) of this section,
20 the individual's total unemployment benefit rate for his or her benefit
21 year commencing after September 30, 1967, shall be an amount equal
22 to one twenty-sixth, rounded to the next lower dollar, of the average of
23 his or her total wages, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of
24 section 31-222, paid during the two quarters of his or her current
25 benefit year's base period in which such wages were highest but not
26 less than fifteen dollars, and commencing after October 1, 2016, shall
27 be an amount equal to one twenty-sixth, rounded to the next lower
28 dollar, of the average of his or her total wages paid during the three
29 quarters of his or her current benefit year's base period in which such
30 wages were highest but not less than fifty dollars nor more than one
31 hundred fifty-six dollars in any benefit year commencing on or after
32 the first Sunday in July, 1982, nor more than sixty per cent rounded to
33 the next lower dollar of the average wage of production and related
34 workers in the state in any benefit year commencing on or after the
35 first Sunday in October, 1983, and provided the maximum benefit rate
36 in any benefit year commencing on or after the first Sunday in October,
37 1988, shall not increase more than eighteen dollars in any benefit year,
38 such increase to be effective as of the first Sunday in October of such
39 year, and further provided the maximum benefit rate shall not increase
40 in benefit years 2016, 2017 and 2018. The average wage of production
41 and related workers in the state shall be determined by the
42 administrator, on or before August fifteenth annually, as of the year
43 ended the previous June thirtieth to be effective during the benefit year
44 commencing on or after the first Sunday of the following October and
45 shall be so determined in accordance with the standards for the
46 determination of average production wages established by the United
47 States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

48 (c) The administrator shall adopt regulations pursuant to the
49 provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section.
50 Such regulations shall specify the National Council on Compensation
51 Insurance employee classification codes which identify construction
52 workers covered by subsection (a) of this section and specify the
53 manner and format in which employers shall report the identification
54 of such workers to the administrator."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	31-231a