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### Testimony

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Senate Bill No. 611 An Act Concerning the Charging of Unemployment Compensation Benefits to Employers

Senator Miner, Senator Gomes, Representative Porter, Representative Bocchino, and members of the Labor and Public Employees Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify in favor of Proposed Senate Bill No. 611 An Act Concerning the Charging of Unemployment Compensation Benefits to Employers.

This proposal would prohibit the state from charging an employer for unemployment compensation benefits for an individual who voluntarily stopped working for that employer, took another job, lost the second job and then began collecting unemployment.

This bill seeks to ensure that any previous employer from which an individual voluntarily leaves would not have their experience rating altered by the state as a result of that individual employee receiving unemployment benefits down the road after losing a job elsewhere.

I thank you for your consideration of this proposal which seeks to eliminate improper burdens on businesses in this unique situation.