## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 2820 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY ROZZI, McNEILL, McCARTER, DRISCOLL, SANCHEZ, MADDEN, HOWARD, KINSEY, LEE, HILL-EVANS, DeLUCA, KENYATTA, CIRESI, INNAMORATO, GREEN, NEILSON AND READSHAW, AUGUST 28, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, AUGUST 28, 2020

## AN ACT

Amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937) 1 P.L.2897, No.1), entitled "An act Special Session No. 2 of 2 1936 establishing a system of unemployment compensation to be 3 administered by the Department of Labor and Industry and its existing and newly created agencies with personnel (with 5 certain exceptions) selected on a civil service basis; 6 requiring employers to keep records and make reports, and 7 8 certain employers to pay contributions based on payrolls to provide moneys for the payment of compensation to certain 9 unemployed persons; providing procedure and administrative 10 details for the determination, payment and collection of such 11 contributions and the payment of such compensation; providing 12 for cooperation with the Federal Government and its agencies; 13 creating certain special funds in the custody of the State 14 Treasurer; and prescribing penalties," in compensation, 15 further providing for rate and amount of compensation. 16 17 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 18 hereby enacts as follows: 19 Section 1. Section 404(d)(1) of the act of December 5, 1936 20 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment 21 Compensation Law, is amended to read: 22 Section 404. Rate and Amount of Compensation .-- Compensation shall be paid to each eligible employe in accordance with the 23

following provisions of this section except that compensation

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- 1 payable with respect to weeks ending in benefit years which
- 2 begin prior to the first day of January 1989 shall be paid on
- 3 the basis of the provisions of this section in effect at the
- 4 beginning of such benefit years.
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- 6 (d) (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
- 7 section each eligible employe who is unemployed with respect to
- 8 any week ending subsequent to July 1, 1980 shall be paid, with
- 9 respect to such week, compensation in an amount equal to his
- 10 weekly benefit rate less the total of (i) the remuneration, if
- 11 any, paid or payable to him with respect to such week for
- 12 services performed which is in excess of his partial benefit
- 13 credit, (ii) vacation pay, if any, which is in excess of his
- 14 partial benefit credit, except when paid to an employe who is
- 15 permanently or indefinitely separated from his employment and
- 16 (iii) the amount of severance pay that is attributed to the
- 17 week. Money paid or payable to an eligible claimant for services
- 18 performed as a poll worker in this Commonwealth shall not be
- 19 included as remuneration under this subsection and the amount of
- 20 such money paid or payable shall not lessen, compromise or
- 21 jeopardize the weekly benefit of the eligible claimant for the
- 22 week in which poll worker services are performed. As used in
- 23 this clause, "poll worker" means any of the following: a clerk
- 24 recording the number of votes; an inspector of elections who
- 25 admits electors to vote; a machine inspector who attends to
- 26 voting machinery; and an overseer who is present with the
- 27 <u>officers of elections as votes are counted, returns made and</u>
- 28 <u>signed and votes recorded under the act of June 3, 1937</u>
- 29 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code."
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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.