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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 20, 1968

By Senators McDERMOTT, RINALDO and DUMONT

Referred to Committee on Labor Relations

An Act amending Revised Statutes 43:21-19 and supplementing the Unemployment Compensation Act and the Temporary Disability Benefits Law (Revised Statutes, Title 43, chapter 21) and providing coverage under these acts for certain employees of the State, counties, municipalities, school districts, and other political subdivisions of the State of New Jersey.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. Section 43:21-19 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read
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- 26 higher; provided further, that only those wages be included in
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- 29 or Sunday) immediately preceding the beginning of the 12 months'
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- 58 (f) "Contributions" means the money payments to the State
- 59 unemployment compensation fund required by this chapter (R. S.
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- 63 stock company, insurance company or corporation, whether domes-
- 64 tic or foreign, or the receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, trustee or
- 65 successor thereof, or the legal representative of a deceased person,
- 66 which has or subsequent to January 1, 1936, had in its employ one

or more individuals performing services for it within this State. 68All individuals performing services within this State for any em-69 ploying unit which maintains 2 or more separate establishments within this State shall be deemed to be employed by a single 70 employing unit for all the purposes of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 7172et seq.). Whenever any employing unit contracts with or has 73under it any contractor or subcontractor for any employment which is part of its usual trade, occupation, profession, or business, 74unless the employing unit as well as each such contractor or sub-75 contractor is an employer by reason of subsection (c) of section 76 43:21-8 of this Title or subsection (h) of this section, the employ-7778ing unit shall for all the purposes of this chapter be deemed to 79employ each individual in the employ of each such contractor or subcontractor for each day during which such individual is engaged 80in performing such employment; except that each such contractor 81 82 or subcontractor who is an employer by reason of subsection (c) 83 of section 43:21-8 of this Title or subsection (h) of this section, shall alone be liable for the contributions measured by wages 84 payable to individuals in his employ, and except that any employ-85 86 ing unit who shall become liable for and pay contributions with respect to individuals in the employ of any such contractor or 87 subcontractor who is not an employer by reason of subsection (c) 88 89 of section 43:21-8 of this Title or subsection (h) of this section, may recover the same from such contractor or subcontractor. Each 90individual employed to perform or to assist in performing the 91 92work of any agent or employee of an employing unit shall be deemed to be employed by such employing unit for all the purposes 93of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.), whether such individual 94was hired or paid directly by such employing unit or by such agent 95 or employee; provided, the employing unt had actual or construc-96 tive knowledge of the work. 97

(h) "Employer" means:

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- 99 (1) Any employing unit which for some portion of a day, but not 100 necessarily simultaneously, in each of 20 different weeks, whether 101 or not such weeks are or were consecutive, within either the current 102 or the preceding calendar year has or had in employment 4 or more 103 individuals (irrespective of whether the same individuals are or 104 were employed in each such day);
- 105 (2) Any employing unit (whether or not an employing unit at 106 the time of acquisition) which acquired the organization, trade or 107 business, or substantially all the assets thereof, of another which 108 at the time of such acquisition was an employer subject to this 109 chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.);

- 110 (3) Any employing unit which acquired the organization, trade
- 111 or business, or substantially all the assets thereof, of another em-
- 112 ploying unit and which, if treated as a single unit with such other
- 113 employing unit, would be an employer under paragraph (1) of this
- 114 subsection;
- 115 (4) Any employing unit which together with one or more other
- 116 employing units is owned or controlled (by legally enforcible
- 117 means or otherwise), directly or indirectly by the same interests,
- 118 or which owns or controls one or more other employing units (by
- 119 legally enforcible means or otherwise), and which, if treated as a
- 120 single unit with such other employing unit or interest, would be
- 121 an employer under paragraph (1) of this subsection;
- 122 (5) Any employing unit which, having become an employer
- 123 under paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) has not, under section 43:21-8
- 124 of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) ceased to be an employer
- 125 subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.); [or]
- 126 (6) For the effective period of its election pursuant to subsection
- 127 (c) of section 43:21-8 of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) any
- 128 other employing unit which has elected to become fully subject to
- 129 this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.); or
- 130 (7) Any employing unit subject to the provisions of the Federal
- 131 Unemployment Tax Act except those engaged in employment here-
- 132 inafter; excluded under paragraph (7) of subsection (i) of this
- 133 section.
- (i) (1) "Employment" means service, including service in inter-
- 135 state commerce performed for remuneration or under any contract
- 136 of hire, written or oral, express or implied.
- 137 (2) The term "employment" shall include an individual's entire
- 138 service performed within or both within and without this State if:
- 139 (A) The service is localized in this State; or
- 140 (B) The service is not localized in any State but some of
- 141 the service is performed in this State, and (i) the base of
- operations, or, if there is no base of operations, then the place
- 143 from which such service is directed or controlled, is in this
- 144 State; or (ii) the base of operations or place from which such
- service is directed or controlled is not in any State in which
- some part of the service is performed, but the individual's
- 147 residence is in this State.
- 148 (3) Services performed within this State but not covered under
- 149 paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be deemed to be employ-
- 150 ment subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) if contributions
- 151 are not required and paid with respect to such services under an
- 152 unemployment compensation law of any other State or of the
- 153 Federal Government.

- 154 (4) Services not covered under paragraph (2) of this subsection, 155 and performed entirely without this State, with respect to no part 156 of which contributions are required and paid under an unemploy-157 ment compensation law of any other State or of the Federal Gov-158 ernment, shall be deemed to be employment subject to this chapter 159 (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) if the individual performing such services 160 is a resident of this State and the employing unit for whom such 161 services are performed files with the division an election that the 162 entire service of such individual shall be deemed to be employment 163 subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.).
- 164 (5) Service shall be deemed to be localized within a State if
 - (A) The service is performed entirely within such State; or
- 166 (B) The service is performed both within and without such 167 State, but the service performed without such State is incidental to the individual's service within the State, for ex-168
- ample, is temporary or transitory in nature or consists of 169 170 isolated transactions.
- (6) Services performed by an individual for remuneration shall 171172 be deemed to be employment subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 173 et seq.) unless and until it is shown to the satisfaction of the

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- 175 (A) Such individual has been and will continue to be free from control or direction over the performance of such service, 176 both under his contract of service and in fact; and 177
 - (B) Such service is either outside the usual course of the business for which such service is performed, or that such service is performed outside of all the places of business of the enterprise for which such service is performed; and
 - (C) Such individual is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession or business.
- (7) The term "employment" shall not include: 184
 - (A) Agricultural labor;
 - (B) Domestic service in a private home;
- (C) Service performed by an individual in the employ of his son, daughter or spouse, and service performed by a child under the age of 21 in the employ of his father or mother; 189
 - (D) Service performed in the employ of this State or of any political subdivision thereof or of any instrumentality of this State or its political subdivisions;
- (E) Service performed in the employ of any other State 193 or its political subdivisions, or of the United States Govern-194 ment, or of an instrumentality of any other State or States 195 or their political subdivisions or of the United States; 196

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- (F) Services performed in the employ of a corporation, community chest, fund, or foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, hospital, benevolent, philanthropic, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual;
 - (G) Services performed in the employ of fraternal beneficiary societies, orders, or associations operating under the lodge system or for the exclusive benefit of the members of a fraternity itself operating under the lodge system and providing for the payment of life, sick, accident, or other benefits to the members of such society, order, or association, or their dependents;
 - (H) Services performed as an officer or other employee of any building and loan association of this State, except where such services constitute the principal employment of the individual; services performed as an officer or other employee of any building and loan association where such association is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System; services performed as an officer or other employee of any bank which is a member of the Federal Reserve System; services performed by a director or member of a committee of a savings and loan association incorporated or organized under the laws of this State or of the United States;
 - (I) Service with respect to which unemployment insurance is payable under an unemployment insurance program established by an Act of Congress;
 - (J) Service performed by agents of mutual fund brokers or dealers in the sale of mutual funds or other securities, by agents of insurance companies, exclusive of industrial insurance agents, or by agents of investment companies, if the compensation to such agents for such services is wholly on a commission basis;
 - (K) Services performed by real estate salesmen or brokers who are compensated wholly on a commission basis;
 - (L) Services performed in the employ of any veterans' organization chartered by Act of Congress or of any auxiliary thereof, no part of the net earnings of which organization, or auxiliary thereof, inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual;

- 238 (M) Service performed for or in behalf of the owner or 239 operator of any theatre, ballroom, amusement hall or other 240 place of entertainment, not in excess of 10 weeks in any calen-241 dar year for the same owner or operator, by any leader or 242 musician of a band or orchestra, commonly called a "name 243 band," entertainer, vaudeville artist, actor, actress, singer or 244 other entertainer;
 - (N) Services performed by an individual for a labor union organization, known and recognized as a union local, as a member of a committee or committees reimbursed by the union local for time lost from regular employment, or as a part-time officer of a union local and the remuneration for such services is less than \$250.00 in a calendar year;
- 251 (O) Services performed in the sale or distribution of mer-252 chandise by home-to-home salespersons or in-the-home demon-253 strators whose remuneration consists wholly of commissions 254 or commissions and bonuses.
- 255 (j) "Employment office" means a free public employment office, 256 or branch thereof operated by this State or maintained as a part of 257 a State-controlled system of public employment offices.
- 258 (k) "Fund" means the unemployment compensation fund estab-259 lished by this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.), to which all contribu-260 tions required and from which all benefits provided under this 261 chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) shall be paid.
- 262 (1) "State" includes, in addition to the States of the United 263 States of America, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands and 264 Puerto Rico.
- 265 (m) Unemployment.

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- 266 (1) An individual shall be deemed "unemployed" for any week 267 during which he is not engaged in full-time work and with respect 268 to which his remuneration is less than his weekly benefit rate, in-269 cluding any week during which he is on vacation without pay; 270 provided, such vacation is not the result of the individual's volun-271 tary action.
- 272 (2) The term "remuneration," with respect to any individual 273 for benefit years commencing on or after July 1, 1961, and as used 274 in this subsection, shall include only that part of the same which 275 in any week exceeds 20% of his weekly benefit rate (fractional parts 276 of a dollar omitted) or \$5.00 whichever is the larger.
- 277 (3) An individual's week of unemployment shall be deemed to 278 commence only after his registration at an employment office, 279 except as the division may by regulation otherwise prescribe.

- 280 (n) "Unemployment compensation administration fund" means 281 the unemployment compensation administration fund established 282 by this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.), from which administrative
- 283 expenses under this chapter (R. S. 43:21–1 et seq.) shall be paid.
- 284 (o) "Wages" means remuneration paid subsequent to Decem-
- 285 ber 31, 1946, by employers for employment; provided, however, that
- 286 for eligibility and benefit purposes wages earned but not paid when
- 287 the amount thereof has been calculated and is due as determined
- 288 by the established and customary practices of the employer shall be
- 289 construed as having been paid when earned.
- 290 (p) "Remuneration" means all compensation for personal
- 291 services, including commissions and bonuses and the cash value of
- 292 all compensation in any medium other than cash.
- 293 (q) "Week" means such period or periods of 7 consecutive days
- 294 ending at midnight, as the division may by regulation prescribe.
- 295 (r) "Calendar quarter" means the period of 3 consecutive
- 296 calendar months ending on March 31, June 30, September 30, or
- 297 December 31.
- 298 (s) "Investment company" means any company as defined in
- 299 paragraph 1-a of chapter 322 of the laws of 1938, entitled "An act
- 300 concerning investment companies, and supplementing Title 17 of
- 301 the Revised Statutes by adding thereto a new chapter entitled
- 302 'investment companies.' "
- 303 (t) "Base week" means any calendar week of an individual's
- 304 base year during which he earned in employment from an employer
- 305 remuneration equal to not less than \$15.00; provided, if in any
- 306 calendar week, an individual is in employment with more than one
- 307 employer, he may in such calendar week establish a base week with
- 308 respect to each such employer from whom the individual earns

309 remuneration equal to not less than \$15.00 during such week,

- 310 (u) "Average weekly wage" means the amount derived by divid-
- 311 ing an individual's total wages received during his base year base
- 312 weeks (as defined in subsection (t) of this section) from that most
- 313 recent base year employer with whom he had established at least 17
- 314 base weeks, by the number of base weeks in which such wages were
- 315 earned. In the event that such claimant had no employer in his
- 316 base year with whom he had established at least 17 base weeks,
- 317 then such individual's average weekly wage shall be computed as if
- 318 all of his base week wages were received from one employer and as
- 319 if all his base weeks of employment had been performed in the em-
- 320 ploy of one employer.

321 If on application of a claimant it is determined that he has been

322 employed during at least the 4 weeks immediately preceding his

323 separation from employment by an employer on a substantially

324 reduced schedule of weekly hours due to lack of work, all weeks of

325 substantially reduced schedule within the base period and his wages

326 therefor shall be disregarded in computing his average weekly

327 wage.

328 (v) "Initial determination" means, subject to the provisions of

329 Revised Statutes 43:21-6 (b) (2) and (3), a determination of benefit

330 rights as measured by an eligible individual's base year employ-

331 ment with a single employer covering all periods of employment

332 with that employer during the base year. Subject to the provisions

333 of Revised Statutes 43:21-3 (d) (3) if an individual has been in

334 employment in his base year with more than one employer, no

335 benefits shall be paid to that individual under any successive initial

336 determination until his benefit rights have been exhausted under

337 the next preceding initial determination.

338 (w) "Last date of employment" means the last calendar day in 339 the base year of an individual on which he performed services in

340 employment for a given employer.

341 (x) "Most recent base year employer" means that employer with

342 whom the individual most recently, in point of time, performed 343 services in employment in the base year.

2. With respect to service performed in the employ of this State

2 or of any political subdivision thereof or of any instrumentality of

3 this State or its political subdivisions which is not excluded from

4 the definition of "employment" by the provisions of Revised Stat-

5 utes 43:21-19 (i) (7) (D), as amended, the employing authority,

6 whether it may be the State or a political subdivision or any in-

7 strumentality of the State or a political subdivision, shall be

8 considered as an employer, as defined by Revised Statutes 43:21-19

9 (h), and shall make all payments and perform all acts, with regard

to employees performing such service, as may be required by the

11 provisions of Title 43 of any other employer.

3. This act shall take effect on January 1 following the adoption

2 of this act.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Executive Department

September 10, 1968

SENATE BILL NO. 769

To the Senate:

Pursuant to Article V , Section 1, paragraph 14(b) of the Constitution, I herewith return Senate Bill No. 769, with my objections, for reconsideration.

The bill would require all employers subject to the Federal Unemployment Tax Act to provide unemployment compensation and temporary disability benefits for their employees, except for those expressly excluded by R.S.43:21-19 (i)(7). Among those groups exempted by this subsection are employees of the State or any of its political subdivisions, or any instrumentality of the State or any of its political subdivisions.

I am in full agreement with the expansion of coverage provided by this bill. However, notwithstanding the specific exemption of public employees, the title and section 2 of the bill seem to imply that certain public employees may be entitled to unemployment compensation and temporary disability benefits. Since this is not the case, I believe the bill should be amended to eliminate the language creating this ambiguity.

Also, it has been pointed out that some employing units may be subject to the federal employment tax one year, and not the next. Therefore, as presently provided in this bill, it would be impossible, in the early part of any given year, to determine whether or not an employee is eligible under the provisions of this bill for unemployment compensation and temporary disability benefits. In order to avoid any delay in processing such applications, I would suggest that the eligibility of any such employee be based on whether or not the employing unit was subject to said tax either during the current year, or the preceding year.

I am accordingly returning Senate Bill No. 769 for reconsideration with the recommendation that it be amended as follows:

On page 1, title, lines 1 through 6, delete the title in its entirety, and insert in lieu thereof: "An Act concerning unemployment compensation and temporary disability benefits, and amending section 43:21-19 of the Revised Statutes."

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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Respectfully,

/S/ RICHARD J. HUGHES

GOVERNOR

Attest:

/S/ ALAN J. KARCHER

Acting Secretary to the Governor

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- 61 (g) "Employing unit" means any individual or type of organi-
- 62 zation, including any partnership, association, trust, estate, joint-

63 stock company, insurance company or corporation, whether domestic or foreign, or the receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, trustee or 64 successor thereof, or the legal representative of a deceased person, 65 which has or subsequent to January 1, 1936, had in its employ one 66 67 or more individuals performing services for it within this State. 68 All individuals performing services within this State for any em-69 ploying unit which maintains 2 or more separate establishments 70 within this State shall be deemed to be employed by a single 71 employing unit for all the purposes of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 72et seq.). Whenever any employing unit contracts with or has 73 under it any contractor or subcontractor for any employment which 74 is part of its usual trade, occupation, profession, or business, 75 unless the employing unit as well as each such contractor or sub-76contractor is an employer by reason of subsection (c) of section 77 43:21-8 of this Title or subsection (h) of this section, the employing unit shall for all the purposes of this chapter be deemed to 78 79 employ each individual in the employ of each such contractor or 80 subcontractor for each day during which such individual is engaged in performing such employment; except that each such contractor 81 82 or subcontractor who is an employer by reason of subsection (c) of section 43:21-8 of this Title or subsection (h) of this section, 83 shall alone be liable for the contributions measured by wages 84 payable to individuals in his employ, and except that any employ-85 ing unit who shall become liable for and pay contributions with 86 87 respect to individuals in the employ of any such contractor or subcontractor who is not an employer by reason of subsection (c) 88 of section 43:21-8 of this Title or subsection (h) of this section, 89 may recover the same from such contractor or subcontractor. Each 90 individual employed to perform or to assist in performing the 91work of any agent or employee of an employing unit shall be 92 deemed to be employed by such employing unit for all the purposes 93of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.), whether such individual 94 was hired or paid directly by such employing unit or by such agent 95 or employee; provided, the employing unt had actual or construc-96 tive knowledge of the work. 97

- 98 (h) "Employer" means:
- 99 (1) Any employing unit which for some portion of a day, but not 100 necessarily simultaneously, in each of 20 different weeks, whether 101 or not such weeks are or were consecutive, within either the current 102 or the preceding calendar year has or had in employment 4 or more 103 individuals (irrespective of whether the same individuals are or 104 were employed in each such day);
- 105 (2) Any employing unit (whether or not an employing unit at

- 106 the time of acquisition) which acquired the organization, trade or 107 business, or substantially all the assets thereof, of another which
- 108 at the time of such acquisition was an employer subject to this
- 109 chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.);
- 110 (3) Any employing unit which acquired the organization, trade
- 111 or business, or substantially all the assets thereof, of another em-
- 112 ploying unit and which, if treated as a single unit with such other
- 113 employing unit, would be an employer under paragraph (1) of this
- 114 subsection;
- 115 (4) Any employing unit which together with one or more other
- 116 employing units is owned or controlled (by legally enforcible
- 117 means or otherwise), directly or indirectly by the same interests,
- 118 or which owns or controls one or more other employing units (by
- 119 legally enforcible means or otherwise), and which, if treated as a
- 120 single unit with such other employing unit or interest, would be
- 121 an employer under paragraph (1) of this subsection;
- 122 (5) Any employing unit which, having become an employer
- 123 under paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) has not, under section 43:21-8
- 124 of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) ceased to be an employer
- 125 subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.); [or]
- 126 (6) For the effective period of its election pursuant to subsection
- 127 (c) of section 43:21-8 of this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) any
- 128 other employing unit which has elected to become fully subject to
- 129 this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.); or
- 130 (7) Any employing unit subject to the provisions of the Federal
- 131 Unemployment Tax Act *within either the current or the preceding
- 132 calendar year* except *[those engaged in]* *for* employment
- 1.33 hereinafter *[;]* excluded under paragraph (7) of subsection (i)
- 133A of this section.
- 134 (i) (1) "Employment" means service, including service in inter-
- 135 state commerce performed for remuneration or under any contract
- 136 of hire, written or oral, express or implied.
- 137 (2) The term "employment" shall include an individual's entire
- 138 service performed within or both within and without this State if:
- (A) The service is localized in this State; or
- 140 (B) The service is not localized in any State but some of
- the service is performed in this State, and (i) the base of
- operations, or, if there is no base of operations, then the place
- 143 from which such service is directed or controlled, is in this
- State; or (ii) the base of operations or place from which such
- service is directed or controlled is not in any State in which
- some part of the service is performed, but the individual's
- 147 residence is in this State.

- 148 (3) Services performed within this State but not covered under
- 149 paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be deemed to be employ-
- 150 ment subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) if contributions
- 151 are not required and paid with respect to such services under an
- 152 unemployment compensation law of any other State or of the
- 153 Federal Government.
- 154 (4) Services not covered under paragraph (2) of this subsection,
- 155 and performed entirely without this State, with respect to no part
- 156 of which contributions are required and paid under an unemploy-
- 157 ment compensation law of any other State or of the Federal Gov-
- 158 ernment, shall be deemed to be employment subject to this chapter
- 159 (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) if the individual performing such services
- 160 is a resident of this State and the employing unit for whom such
- 161 services are performed files with the division an election that the
- 162 entire service of such individual shall be deemed to be employment
- 163 subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.).
- 164 (5) Service shall be deemed to be localized within a State if.
- 165 (A) The service is performed entirely within such State; or
- 166 (B) The service is performed both within and without such
- State, but the service performed without such State is in-
- cidental to the individual's service within the State, for ex-
- ample, is temporary or transitory in nature or consists of
- isolated transactions.
- 171 (6) Services performed by an individual for remuneration shall
- 172 be deemed to be employment subject to this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1
- 173 et seq.) unless and until it is shown to the satisfaction of the
- 174 division that
- 175 (A) Such individual has been and will continue to be free
- from control or direction over the performance of such service,
- both under his contract of service and in fact; and
- 178 (B) Such service is either outside the usual course of the
- business for which such service is performed, or that such
- 180 service is performed outside of all the places of business of
- the enterprise for which such service is performed; and
- 182 (C) Such individual is customarily engaged in an independ-
- 183 ently established trade, occupation, profession or business.
- 184 (7) The term "employment" shall not include:
- 185 (A) Agricultural labor;
- 186 (B) Domestic service in a private home;
- (C) Service performed by an individual in the employ of
- 188 his son, daughter or spouse, and service performed by a child
- under the age of 21 in the employ of his father or mother;
- 190 (D) Service performed in the employ of this State or of

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any political subdivision thereof or of any instrumentality of this State or its political subdivisions;

- (E) Service performed in the employ of any other State or its political subdivisions, or of the United States Government, or of an instrumentality of any other State or States or their political subdivisions or of the United States;
- (F) Services performed in the employ of a corporation, community chest, fund, or foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, hospital, benevolent, philanthropic, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual;
- (G) Services performed in the employ of fraternal beneficiary societies, orders, or associations operating under the lodge system or for the exclusive benefit of the members of a fraternity itself operating under the lodge system and providing for the payment of life, sick, accident, or other benefits to the members of such society, order, or association, or their dependents;
- (H) Services performed as an officer or other employee of any building and loan association of this State, except where such services constitute the principal employment of the individual; services performed as an officer or other employee of any building and loan association where such association is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System; services performed as an officer or other employee of any bank which is a member of the Federal Reserve System; services performed by a director or member of a committee of a savings and loan association incorporated or organized under the laws of this State or of the United States;
- (I) Service with respect to which unemployment insurance is payable under an unemployment insurance program established by an Act of Congress;
- (J) Service performed by agents of mutual fund brokers or dealers in the sale of mutual funds or other securities, by agents of insurance companies, exclusive of industrial insurance agents, or by agents of investment companies, if the compensation to such agents for such services is wholly on a commission basis;
- (K) Services performed by real estate salesmen or brokers who are compensated wholly on a commission basis;
- 233 (L) Services performed in the employ of any veterans'

organization chartered by Act of Congress or of any auxiliary thereof, no part of the net earnings of which organization, or auxiliary thereof, inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual;

- (M) Service performed for or in behalf of the owner or operator of any theatre, ballroom, amusement hall or other place of entertainment, not in excess of 10 weeks in any calendar year for the same owner or operator, by any leader or musician of a band or orchestra, commonly called a "name band," entertainer, vaudeville artist, actor, actress, singer or other entertainer;
- 245 (N) Services performed by an individual for a labor union 246 organization, known and recognized as a union local, as a 247 member of a committee or committees reimbursed by the union 248 local for time lost from regular employment, or as a part-time 249 officer of a union local and the remuneration for such services 250 is less than \$250.00 in a calendar year;
- 251 (O) Services performed in the sale or distribution of mer-252 chandise by home-to-home salespersons or in-the-home demon-253 strators whose remuneration consists wholly of commissions 254 or commissions and bonuses.
- 255 (j) "Employment office" means a free public employment office, 256 or branch thereof operated by this State or maintained as a part of 257 a State-controlled system of public employment offices.
- 258 (k) "Fund" means the unemployment compensation fund estab-259 lished by this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.), to which all contribu-260 tions required and from which all benefits provided under this 261 chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) shall be paid.
- 262 (1) "State" includes, in addition to the States of the United 263 States of America, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands and 264 Puerto Rico.
- 265 (m) Unemployment.

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- 266 (1) An individual shall be deemed "unemployed" for any week 267 during which he is not engaged in full-time work and with respect 268 to which his remuneration is less than his weekly benefit rate, in-269 cluding any week during which he is on vacation without pay; 270 provided, such vacation is not the result of the individual's volun-271 tary action.
- 272 (2) The term "remuneration," with respect to any individual 273 for benefit years commencing on or after July 1, 1961, and as used 274 in this subsection, shall include only that part of the same which 275 in any week exceeds 20% of his weekly benefit rate (fractional parts 276 of a dollar omitted) or \$5.00 whichever is the larger.

- 277 (3) An individual's week of unemployment shall be deemed to 278 commence only after his registration at an employment office, 279 except as the division may by regulation otherwise prescribe.
- 280 (n) "Unemployment compensation administration fund" means 281 the unemployment compensation administration fund established 282 by this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.), from which administrative 283 expenses under this chapter (R. S. 43:21-1 et seq.) shall be paid.
- 284 (o) "Wages" means remuneration paid subsequent to Decem-285 ber 31, 1946, by employers for employment; provided, however, that 286 for eligibility and benefit purposes wages earned but not paid when 287 the amount thereof has been calculated and is due as determined 288 by the established and customary practices of the employer shall be 289 construed as having been paid when earned.
- 290 (p) "Remuneration" means all compensation for personal 291 services, including commissions and bonuses and the cash value of 292 all compensation in any medium other than cash.
- 293 (q) "Week" means such period or periods of 7 consecutive days 294 ending at midnight, as the division may by regulation prescribe.
- 295 (r) "Calendar quarter" means the period of 3 consecutive 296 calendar months ending on March 31, June 30, September 30, or 297 December 31.
- 298 (s) "Investment company" means any company as defined in 299 paragraph 1-a of chapter 322 of the laws of 1938, entitled "An act 300 concerning investment companies, and supplementing Title 17 of 301 the Revised Statutes by adding thereto a new chapter entitled 302 'investment companies.'"
- 303 (t) "Base week" means any calendar week of an individual's 304 base year during which he earned in employment from an employer 305 remuneration equal to not less than \$15.00; provided, if in any 306 calendar week, an individual is in employment with more than one 307 employer, he may in such calendar week establish a base week with 308 respect to each such employer from whom the individual earns 309 remuneration equal to not less than \$15.00 during such week,
- (u) "Average weekly wage" means the amount derived by divid-311 ing an individual's total wages received during his base year base 312 weeks (as defined in subsection (t) of this section) from that most 313 recent base year employer with whom he had established at least 17 314 base weeks, by the number of base weeks in which such wages were 315 earned. In the event that such claimant had no employer in his 316 base year with whom he had established at least 17 base weeks, 317 then such individual's average weekly wage shall be computed as if 318 all of his base week wages were received from one employer and as

- 319 if all his base weeks of employment had been performed in the em-320 ploy of one employer.
- 321 If on application of a claimant it is determined that he has been
- 322 employed during at least the 4 weeks immediately preceding his
- 323 separation from employment by an employer on a substantially
- 324 reduced schedule of weekly hours due to lack of work, all weeks of
- 325 substantially reduced schedule within the base period and his wages
- 326 therefor shall be disregarded in computing his average weekly
- 327 wage.
- 328 (v) "Initial determination" means, subject to the provisions of
- 329 Revised Statutes 43:21-6 (b) (2) and (3), a determination of benefit
- 330 rights as measured by an eligible individual's base year employ-
- 331 ment with a single employer covering all periods of employment
- 332 with that employer during the base year. Subject to the provisions
- 333 of Revised Statutes 43:21-3 (d) (3) if an individual has been in
- 334 employment in his base year with more than one employer, no
- 335 benefits shall be paid to that individual under any successive initial
- 336 determination until his benefit rights have been exhausted under
- 337 the next preceding initial determination.
- 338 (w) "Last date of employment" means the last calendar day in
- 339 the base year of an individual on which he performed services in
- 340 employment for a given employer.
- 341 (x) "Most recent base year employer" means that employer with
- 342 whom the individual most recently, in point of time, performed
- 343 services in employment in the base year.
- * 2. With respect to service performed in the employ of this State
- 2 or of any political subdivision thereof or of any instrumentality of
- 3 this State or its political subdivisions which is not excluded from
- 4 the definition of "employment" by the provisions of Revised Stat-
- 5 utes 43:21-19 (i) (7) (D), as amended, the employing authority,
- 6 whether it may be the State or a political subdivision or any in-
- 7 strumentality of the State or a political subdivision, shall be
- 8 considered as an employer, as defined by Revised Statutes 43:21-19
- 9 (h), and shall make all payments and perform all acts, with regard
- 10 to employees performing such service, as may be required by the
- 11 provisions of Title 43 of any other employer.]*
- 1 *[3.] *2.* This act shall take effect on January 1 following the
- 2 adoption of this act.