made as a direct or indirect result of the employer's failure to provide information to the Executive Director as required by this article or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1958.

Approved April 4, 1958.

CHAPTER 58

(Senate Bill 101)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 3(b) (1) of Article 95A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Unemployment Insurance Law", sub-title "Benefits", relating to the computation of the "weekly benefit amount" for the purposes of the unemployment compensation laws.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 3(b) (1) of Article 95A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Unemployment Insurance Law", sub-title "Benefits", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(b) (1) Weekly Benefit Amount and Allowance for Dependents—An individual's "weekly benefit amount" and "allowance for dependents" shall be determined by applying the total of wages paid him for insured work in that calendar quarter of his base period in which such total wages were highest to column A in the "schedule of benefits" set forth below. Upon determination as to the division of said schedule for which such individual's high quarter wages qualify, the weekly benefit amount shall be the amount shown on the same line in column B, and the amount of allowance for dependents shall be the amount shown on the same line in column D, E, F, or G, depending on the number of dependents for which allowances are payable.

Provided, if a claimant had not earned qualifying wages, as required in Section 4(e) of this article, for the weekly benefit amount shown in the schedule of benefits on the basis of his earnings in the calendar quarter of the base period in which his earnings were highest, but did earn qualifying wages for the next a lower division on said schedule, he is to be considered eligible for benefits as shown in said next lower division. Provided further, that in no event shall any claimant be permitted to drop down more than three divisions as shown on the said schedule of benefits.

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.