

CHAPTER 629

(House Bill 116)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 7 (c) (1) of Article 95A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Unemployment Compensation", sub-title "Contributions", amending the provisions of the unemployment compensation laws concerning the charging of benefits paid against the experience-rating records of employers.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 7 (c) (1) of Article 95A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Unemployment Compensation", sub-title "Contributions", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

7 (c) (1). The Board shall maintain an experience-rating record for each employer. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to grant to any employer or to individuals performing services for him prior claims or rights to the amounts paid by the employer into the fund.

Except as required by paragraph (i) of this sub-section, benefits paid shall be charged against employers experience-rating records as hereafter specified.

If the claimant earns 75% or more of his base period wages from the principal base period employer, all benefits paid to such individual shall be charged against the experience-rating record of his principal base-period employer (as defined in Sub-section (c) (8) of this section). If the claimant earned less than 75% of his base period wages from the principal base period employer, all benefits paid to such individual shall be charged on a pro rata basis to all base period employers. The percentage of the charge to each base period employer shall be in the same proportion as the amount of wages paid to the claimant by each such employer is to the total amount of wages received by the claimant during the base period, and shall be computed as a whole number without decimals.

(i) If the claimant's unemployment is caused by a shutdown by his employer for the purpose of having employees take their vacations at the same time, all benefits paid to the claimant shall be charged against the experience rating record of the claimant's current employer.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved April 25, 1955.

CHAPTER 630

(House Bill 152)

AN ACT to add two new sections to Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title

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.