

(4) The Executive Director shall refer an individual who applies for extended benefits to suitable work.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if prior to March 1, 1983, the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-373 as amended by Public Law 97-35) is amended to alter, to a date after September 26, 1982, the date by which the states are required to implement the new state "on" and "off" indicators for extended benefits specified in Section 2403 of Public Law 97-35, then this Act's amendments altering the percentages for the State "on" and "off" indicators in Section 21(a)(2) of Maryland's Unemployment Insurance Law may not take effect on September 26, 1982, but shall take effect on the later date specified by the amendments to the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if, with an effective date prior to March 1, 1983, the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-373 as amended by Public Law 97-35) is amended to reduce the specified percentages for state "on" and "off" indicators for extended benefits, then the percentages for the State "on" and "off" indicators for extended benefits specified in Section 21(a)(2) of Maryland's Unemployment Insurance Law shall automatically decrease to the percentages specified by the amendments to the Federal-State Extended Compensation Act on the effective date of those amendments.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act be construed in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended, in order to assure that Maryland's Unemployment Insurance Law may be certified by the U.S. Secretary of Labor pursuant to Section 3304 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect September 26, 1982.

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