- [(f)] (E) For the purpose of making any computation under this section:
- (1) money that has been credited to the account of the State in the Unemployment Trust Fund under § 903 of the Social Security Act and that has been appropriated for expenses of administration, whether or not withdrawn from the account, shall be excluded from the total amount available for benefits in the Unemployment Insurance Fund; and
- (2) the total amount available for benefits in the Unemployment Insurance Fund includes:
- (i) money receivable by the Unemployment Insurance Fund as federal reimbursement for shareable benefits under the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970;
- (ii) all advance payments made to the Unemployment Insurance Fund on behalf of eligible employing units who elect to make reimbursement payments; and
- (iii) money receivable by the Unemployment Insurance Fund from an eligible employing unit who elects to make reimbursement payments.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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8-803.

- (a) (1) To determine the weekly benefit amount to assign to a claimant in the schedule of benefits in subsection (b) of this section, the line in the schedule of benefits shall be located in which the high quarter wages in column (A) correspond to wages that the claimant was paid for covered employment in the calendar quarter of the claimant's base period in which those wages were highest.
 - (2) The claimant shall be assigned:
- $\mbox{(i)}$ the weekly benefit amount in column (B) of the schedule for that line; or
- (ii) if the claimant is not eligible under § 8-802 of this subtitle for that weekly benefit amount but was paid wages to qualify in 1 of the next 6 lower lines of the schedule, the weekly benefit amount in the next lower line in column (B) of the schedule.

(b)

SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

		Weekly Benefit	Minimum Qualifying
Line	High Quarter Wages	Amount	Wages