

(7) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS, DESIGNATED BY THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS;

(8) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE JOB OPPORTUNITIES TASK FORCE, DESIGNATED BY THE JOB OPPORTUNITIES TASK FORCE;

(9) TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF UNION LABOR, DESIGNATED BY THE MARYLAND STATE AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AFL-CIO; AND

(10) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ACADEMIC PROFESSION WHO IS KNOWLEDGEABLE IN UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAW, DESIGNATED JOINTLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

(C) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER WHO APPOINTED THEM.

(D) THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER SHALL APPOINT A SENATOR AND A DELEGATE, RESPECTIVELY, EACH TO SERVE AS COCHAIR.

(E) (1) THE COMMITTEE SHALL EXAMINE THE CONDITION OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM IN THE STATE AS A RESULT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAPTER 169 OF THE ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 2005.

(2) THE COMMITTEE MAY EXAMINE THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL ALTERATIONS TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE CHARGING AND TAXATION PROVISIONS AND THE ELIGIBILITY AND BENEFIT PROVISIONS, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FAIRNESS OF THE SYSTEM AND IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND AT A LEVEL SUFFICIENT TO ENSURE THAT BENEFITS WILL BE PAID FROM THE FUND.

(F) (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE STAFFING FOR THE COMMITTEE.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION SHALL REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IN THE STATE.

(G) A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE, BUT IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR