

(d) On or before June 30, 2010, the Chief of Information Technology shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the implementation of this Act.

SECTION 2.3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October 1, 2008~~ July 1, 2008. Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly. Section 2 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2008.

CHAPTER 660

(House Bill 432)

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation – Unemployment Insurance
Claims – Lower Appeals Division**

FOR the purpose of establishing a Lower Appeals Division in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation for unemployment insurance claims; requiring the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to appoint a chief hearing examiner as head of the Lower Appeals Division; requiring the chief hearing examiner to be in a certain professional service in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring the chief hearing examiner, subject to the approval of the Secretary, to appoint certain personnel; requiring the Secretary to have certain authority over certain personnel; requiring the Lower Appeals Division to hear and decide certain appeals; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations under certain circumstances; authorizing certain hearing examiners to administer certain oaths, certify certain acts, and take certain depositions; authorizing certain hearing examiners to issue certain subpoenas for certain purposes; specifying that certain subpoenas must be served in a certain manner; authorizing certain courts to pass certain orders directing certain compliance with certain subpoenas; prohibiting certain persons from being excused from attending certain proceedings for certain grounds; prohibiting prosecution or certain penalties or certain forfeitures under certain circumstances; authorizing certain prosecutions and certain punishment for certain perjury; requiring certain hearing examiners to conduct certain hearings or appeals in a certain manner; specifying that certain hearing examiners are not bound by certain rules of evidence or certain rules of procedure; requiring certain hearing