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To amend the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families Act and the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 to provide for the temporary extension of certain unemployment benefits and the temporary availability of further additional emergency unemployment compensation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. MCDERMOTT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Unemploy-
3 ment Compensation Extension Act of 2009”.

4 **SEC. 2. TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF CERTAIN UNEMPLOY-
5 MENT BENEFITS.**

6 (a) EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSA-
7 TION.—Section 4007 of the Supplemental Appropriations
8 Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note)
9 is amended—

10 (1) by striking “December 31, 2009” each
11 place it appears and inserting “December 31,
12 2010”;

13 (2) in the heading for subsection (b)(2), by
14 striking “DECEMBER 31, 2009” and inserting “DE-
15 CEMBER 31, 2010”; and

16 (3) in subsection (b)(3), by striking “May 31,
17 2010” and inserting “May 31, 2011”.

18 (b) ADDITIONAL REGULAR COMPENSATION.—Section
19 2002(e) of the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and
20 Struggling Families Act, as contained in Public Law 111–
21 5 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note; 123 Stat. 438), is amended—

22 (1) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “January
23 1, 2010” and inserting “January 1, 2011”;

24 (2) in the heading for paragraph (2), by strik-
25 ing “JANUARY 1, 2010” and inserting “JANUARY 1,
26 2011”; and

1 (3) in paragraph (3), by striking “June 30,
2 2010” and inserting “June 30, 2011”.

3 (c) FULL FUNDING OF EXTENDED BENEFITS.—Sec-
4 tion 2005 of the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and
5 Struggling Families Act, as contained in Public Law 111-
6 5 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note; 123 Stat. 444), is amended—

7 (1) by striking “January 1, 2010” each place
8 it appears and inserting “January 1, 2011”;

9 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “June 1,
10 2010” and inserting “June 1, 2011”; and

11 (3) in subsection (d), by striking “May 30,
12 2010” and inserting “May 30, 2011”.

13 **SEC. 3. ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COM-**
14 **PENSATION.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4002 of the Supplemental
16 Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110-252; 26
17 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by adding at the end the
18 following:

19 “(d) FURTHER ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY UNEM-
20 PLOYMENT COMPENSATION.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If, at the time that the
22 amount added to an individual’s account under sub-
23 section (c)(1) (hereinafter ‘additional emergency un-
24 employment compensation’) is exhausted or at any
25 time thereafter, such individual’s State is in an ex-

1 tended benefit period (as determined under para-
2 graph (2)), such account shall be further augmented
3 by an amount (hereinafter ‘further additional emer-
4 gency unemployment compensation’) equal to the
5 lesser of—

6 “(A) 50 percent of the total amount of
7 regular compensation (including dependents’ al-
8 lowances) payable to the individual during the
9 individual’s benefit year under the State law; or

10 “(B) 13 times the individual’s average
11 weekly benefit amount (as determined under
12 subsection (b)(2)) for the benefit year.

13 “(2) EXTENDED BENEFIT PERIOD.—For pur-
14 poses of paragraph (1), a State shall be considered
15 to be in an extended benefit period, as of any given
16 time, if—

17 “(A) such a period is then in effect for
18 such State under the Federal-State Extended
19 Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970;

20 “(B) such a period would then be in effect
21 for such State under such Act if section 203(d)
22 of such Act—

23 “(i) were applied by substituting ‘6’
24 for ‘5’ each place it appears; and

1 “(ii) did not include the requirement
2 under paragraph (1)(A) thereof; or

3 “(C) such a period would then be in effect
4 for such State under such Act if—

5 “(i) section 203(f) of such Act were
6 applied to such State (regardless of wheth-
7 er the State by law had provided for such
8 application); and

9 “(ii) such section 203(f)—

10 “(I) were applied by substituting
11 ‘9.0’ for ‘6.5’ in paragraph (1)(A)(i)
12 thereof; and

13 “(II) did not include the require-
14 ment under paragraph (1)(A)(ii)
15 thereof.

16 “(3) COORDINATION RULE.—Notwithstanding
17 an election under section 4001(e) by a State to pro-
18 vide for the payment of emergency unemployment
19 compensation prior to extended compensation, such
20 State may pay extended compensation to an other-
21 wise eligible individual prior to any further addi-
22 tional emergency unemployment compensation, if
23 such individual claimed extended compensation for
24 at least 1 week of unemployment after the exhaus-

1 tion of additional emergency unemployment com-
2 pensation.

3 “(4) LIMITATION.—The account of an indi-
4 vidual may be augmented not more than once under
5 this subsection.”.

6 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO NON-AUGMENTA-
7 TION RULE.—Section 4007(b)(2) of the Supplemental Ap-
8 propriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C.
9 3304 note), as amended by section 2(a), is further amend-
10 ed—

11 (1) by striking “then section 4002(c)” and in-
12 serting “then subsections (c) and (d) of section
13 4002”; and

14 (2) by striking “paragraph (2) of such section)”
15 and inserting “paragraph (2) of such subsection (c)
16 or (d) (as the case may be))”.

17 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
18 this section shall apply as if included in the enactment
19 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008, except that
20 no amount shall be payable by virtue of such amendments
21 with respect to any week of unemployment commencing
22 before the date of the enactment of this Act.

23 **SEC. 4. TRANSFER OF FUNDS.**

24 Section 4004(e)(1) of the Supplemental Appropria-
25 tions Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304

1 note) is amended by striking “Act;” and inserting “Act
2 and the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Exten-
3 sion Act of 2009;”.

4 **SEC. 5. ADDITIONAL EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENE-**
5 **FITS UNDER THE RAILROAD UNEMPLOY-**
6 **MENT INSURANCE ACT.**

7 (a) BENEFITS.—Section 2(c)(2)(D) of the Railroad
8 Unemployment Insurance Act, as added by section 2006
9 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
10 (Public Law 111–5), is amended—

11 (1) in clause (iii)—

12 (A) by striking “June 30, 2009” and in-
13 sserting “June 30, 2010”;

14 (B) by striking “December 31, 2009” and
15 inserting “December 31, 2010”; and

16 (2) by adding at the end of clause (iv) the fol-
17 lowing: “In addition to the amount appropriated by
18 the preceding sentence, out of any funds in the
19 Treasury not otherwise appropriated, there are ap-
20 propriated \$175,000,000 to cover the cost of addi-
21 tional extended unemployment benefits provided
22 under this subparagraph, to remain available until
23 expended.”.

24 (b) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Section 2006 of
25 the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 is

1 amended by adding at the end of subsection (b) the fol-
2 lowing: “In addition to funds appropriated by the pre-
3 ceding sentence, out of any funds in the Treasury not oth-
4 erwise appropriated, there are appropriated to the Rail-
5 road Retirement Board \$807,000 to cover the administra-
6 tive expenses associated with the payment of additional
7 extended unemployment benefits under section 2(c)(2)(D)
8 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, to remain
9 available until expended.”.

10 **SEC. 6. EFFICIENT USE OF THE NATIONAL DIRECTORY OF**
11 **NEW HIRES DATABASE FOR FEDERALLY-**
12 **SPONSORED RESEARCH ASSESSING THE EF-**
13 **FECTIVENESS OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS IN**
14 **ACHIEVING POSITIVE LABOR MARKET OUT-**
15 **COMES.**

16 Section 453 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
17 653) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (i)(2)(A), by striking “24”
19 and inserting “48”;

20 (2) in subsection (j)(5), by striking “but with-
21 out personal identifiers” and inserting “or pursuant
22 to evaluations undertaken to assess the effectiveness
23 of Federal programs in achieving positive labor mar-
24 ket outcomes that are conducted under contract to
25 or grant from the Department of Health and

1 Human Services, the Social Security Administration,
2 the Department of Labor, the Department of Edu-
3 cation, the Department of Housing and Urban De-
4 velopment, or other Federal departments or agencies
5 supporting the evaluations. For purposes of con-
6 ducting the evaluations, personal identifiers may be
7 provided to any Federal department or agency and
8 to any agent of any such department or agency, sub-
9 ject to the privacy provisions contained in sub-
10 sections (l) and (m)”; and

11 (3) in subsection (l)(2), by inserting “, agent
12 conducting research described in subsection (j)(5),”
13 before “or employee”.