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NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AMENDMENT
House Bill 4*

AMENDMENT NO. A6
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Representative D. Hall

1 moves to amend the bill on page 39, line 10, by rewriting the line to read:

2 "SECTION 12.(a) G.S. 96-14.2(a), as enacted by this act, reads as rewritten;

3 '(a) Weekly Benefit Amount. – The weekly benefit amount for an individual who is
4 totally unemployed is an amount equal to the wages paid to the individual in the last two
5 completed quarters of the individual's base period divided by 52 and rounded to the next lower
6 whole dollar. If this amount is less than fifteen dollars (\$15.00), the individual is not eligible
7 for benefits. The weekly benefit amount may not exceed ~~three hundred fifty dollars~~
8 ~~(\$350.00)~~ the maximum weekly benefit amount.

9 The Division must calculate the maximum weekly benefit amount each August 1.
10 The maximum weekly benefit amount is sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the
11 average weekly insured wage. If this amount is not a whole dollar, the Division must round the
12 amount to the next lower whole dollar. The maximum weekly benefit amount set on August 1
13 of a year applies to an individual whose benefit year begins on or after that date and before
14 August 1 of the following year.'

15 SECTION 12.(b) G.S. 96-14.4, as enacted by this act, reads as rewritten:

16 '~~§ 96-14.4. Duration of benefits for individual claimant benefits.~~

17 (a) Total Benefit Amount. – ~~The total amount of benefits paid to an individual may not~~
18 ~~exceed the individual's total benefit amount.~~ The total benefit amount for an individual is
19 determined as follows:

- 20 (1) Divide the individual's base-period wages by the average of the wages paid
21 to the individual in the last two completed quarters of the base period.
- 22 (2) Multiply the quotient by eight and two-thirds.
- 23 (3) Round the product to the nearest whole number.
- 24 (4) Multiply the resulting amount by the individual's weekly benefit amount as
25 determined under G.S. 96-14.2.

26 (b) Duration. – ~~The number of weeks an individual may receive benefits varies~~
27 ~~depending on the seasonal adjusted statewide unemployment rate that applies at the time the~~
28 ~~regular unemployment claim is filed. The total benefits paid to an individual may not be less~~
29 ~~than the individual's average weekly benefit amount multiplied by the minimum number of~~
30 ~~weeks allowed in accordance with G.S. 96 14.3. The total benefits paid to an individual may~~
31 ~~not exceed the lesser of the following:~~ The total regular benefits paid to an individual may not
32 be less than the minimum total benefit and may not exceed the lesser of the maximum total



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1 benefit or the individual's total benefit amount. The minimum total benefit for an individual is
2 13 times the individual's weekly benefit amount. The maximum total benefit for an individual
3 is 26 times the individual's weekly benefit amount.

4 (1) ~~The individual's average weekly benefit amount multiplied by the maximum~~
5 ~~number of weeks allowed in accordance with G.S. 96-14.3.~~

6 (2) ~~The individual's total benefit amount, as calculated under subsection (a) of~~
7 ~~this section.'~~

8 **SECTION 12.(c)** G.S. 96-14.3, as enacted by this act, is repealed.

9 **SECTION 12.(d)** This section becomes effective January 1 of the first year when
10 the federal unemployment tax under Sections 3303 and 3304 of the Internal Revenue Code of
11 1986 on employers is no longer increased to repay any outstanding balance owed for advances
12 to pay unemployment benefits. The changes to unemployment benefits made by this section
13 apply to claims for benefits filed on or after that date.

14 **SECTION 13.** Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective July 1,
15 2013. Changes made by this act".

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Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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