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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

Representative Thompson, G. offered the following:

Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 98 and 99, insert:

(7) "Base period" means the first four of the last five completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the first day of an individual's benefit year. If the agency determines, pursuant to s. 443.091(1)(g), that an alternative base period will be used, the term has the same meaning as the alternative base period.

Between lines 172 and 173, insert:

(48) "Alternative base period" means the last four completed calendar quarters of an individual's benefit year.

Between lines 203 and 204, insert:

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(g) She or he has been paid wages for insured work equal to 1.5 times her or his high quarter wages during her or his base period, except that an unemployed individual is not eligible to receive benefits if the base period wages are less than \$3,400. If the individual is ineligible for benefits calculated on a base period wage, wages must be calculated using an alternative base period and the claimant must have the opportunity to choose whether to establish a claim using such wages. Wages can be calculated for an alternative base period only if the base period wages are inadequate to establish eligibility under this paragraph and only for benefit years that begin on or after January 1, 2011. Wages used to establish a monetarily eligible benefit year may not be used to establish monetary eligibility in a subsequent benefit year.

DIRECTORY AMENDMENT

Remove lines 93-94 and insert:

- (28) through (47), respectively, new subsections (26), (27), and
- (48) are added to that section, and present subsections (6),
- 37 (7), (9),

Remove lines 188-189 and insert:

Section 5. Paragraphs (b) and (g) of subsection (1) of section 443.091, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

TITLE AMENDMENT

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Between lines 12 and 13, insert:

46 providing for an alternative base period under certain

47 circumstances;

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