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H. R. 3936

To provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VAN HOLLEN (for himself and Mr. LEVIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Unemploy-
5 ment Compensation Extension Act of 2014”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Emergency unemployment compensation
2 benefits expired at the end of 2013.

3 (2) 1.3 million unemployed workers and their
4 families immediately lost access to benefits. Thou-
5 sands more unemployed workers are losing benefits
6 each week.

7 (3) Excluding title IV, which focuses on nutri-
8 tion, the Agricultural Act of 2014, which has passed
9 the House, generates savings to offset the cost of
10 this Act. If savings are not sufficient, Congress will
11 direct offsets from other legislation to fully offset
12 this Act.

13 (4) Consistent with the statutory pay-as-you-go
14 scorecard and the spirit of House rules that allow
15 savings from one bill to be counted in evaluating
16 language in another paired bill, the savings gen-
17 erated by the Agricultural Act of 2014 (not includ-
18 ing title IV) provide an offset for the benefits pro-
19 vided in this Act.

20 **SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COM-**
21 **PENSATION PROGRAM.**

22 (a) EXTENSION.—Section 4007(a)(2) of the Supple-
23 mental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252;
24 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by striking “January
25 1, 2014” and inserting “July 1, 2014”.

1 (b) FUNDING.—Section 4004(e)(1) of the Supple-
2 mental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252;
3 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended—

4 (1) in subparagraph (I), by striking “and” at
5 the end;

6 (2) in subparagraph (J), by inserting “and” at
7 the end; and

8 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (J) the fol-
9 lowing:

10 “(K) the amendments made by section
11 2(a) of the Emergency Unemployment Com-
12 pensation Extension Act of 2014;”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
14 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
15 ment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public
16 Law 112–240).

17 **SEC. 4. TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF EXTENDED BENEFIT**
18 **PROVISIONS.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2005 of the Assistance for
20 Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families Act, as
21 contained in Public Law 111–5 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note),
22 is amended—

23 (1) by striking “December 31, 2013” each
24 place it appears and inserting “June 30, 2014”; and

1 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “June 30,
2 2014” and inserting “December 31, 2014”.

3 (b) **EXTENSION OF MATCHING FOR STATES WITH**
4 **NO WAITING WEEK.**—Section 5 of the Unemployment
5 Compensation Extension Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–
6 449; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by striking “June
7 30, 2014” and inserting “December 31, 2014”.

8 (c) **EXTENSION OF MODIFICATION OF INDICATORS**
9 **UNDER THE EXTENDED BENEFIT PROGRAM.**—Section
10 203 of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Com-
11 pensation Act of 1970 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amend-
12 ed—

13 (1) in subsection (d), by striking “December
14 31, 2013” and inserting “June 30, 2014”; and

15 (2) in subsection (f)(2), by striking “December
16 31, 2013” and inserting “June 30, 2014”.

17 (d) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
18 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
19 ment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public
20 Law 112–240).

21 **SEC. 5. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR REEMPLOYMENT**
22 **SERVICES AND REEMPLOYMENT AND ELIGI-**
23 **BILITY ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES.**

24 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 4004(c)(2)(A) of the Sup-
25 plemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–

1 252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by striking
2 “through fiscal year 2014” and inserting “through the
3 second quarter of 2015”.

4 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
5 this section shall take effect as if included in the enact-
6 ment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public
7 Law 112–240).

8 **SEC. 6. ADDITIONAL EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENE-**
9 **FITS UNDER THE RAILROAD UNEMPLOY-**
10 **MENT INSURANCE ACT.**

11 (a) EXTENSION.—Section 2(c)(2)(D)(iii) of the Rail-
12 road Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C.
13 352(c)(2)(D)(iii)) is amended—

14 (1) by striking “June 30, 2013” and inserting
15 “December 31, 2013”; and

16 (2) by striking “December 31, 2013” and in-
17 serting “June 30, 2014”.

18 (b) CLARIFICATION ON AUTHORITY TO USE
19 FUNDS.—Funds appropriated under either the first or
20 second sentence of clause (iv) of section 2(c)(2)(D) of the
21 Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act shall be available
22 to cover the cost of additional extended unemployment
23 benefits provided under such section 2(c)(2)(D) by reason
24 of the amendments made by subsection (a) as well as to
25 cover the cost of such benefits provided under such section

1 2(c)(2)(D), as in effect on the day before the date of en-
2 actment of this Act.

3 (c) FUNDING FOR ADMINISTRATION.—Out of any
4 funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, there
5 are appropriated to the Railroad Retirement Board
6 \$62,500 for administrative expenses associated with the
7 payment of additional extended unemployment benefits
8 provided under section 2(c)(2)(D) of the Railroad Unem-
9 ployment Insurance Act by reason of the amendments
10 made by subsection (a), to remain available until ex-
11 pended.

12 **SEC. 7. FLEXIBILITY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**
13 **AGREEMENTS.**

14 (a) FLEXIBILITY.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (g) of section
16 4001 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008
17 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) shall
18 not apply with respect to a State that has enacted
19 a law before December 1, 2013, that, upon taking
20 effect, would violate such subsection.

21 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraph (1) is effec-
22 tive with respect to weeks of unemployment begin-
23 ning on or after December 29, 2013.

24 (b) PERMITTING A SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENT.—
25 Nothing in such title IV shall preclude a State whose

1 agreement under such title was terminated from entering
2 into a subsequent agreement under such title on or after
3 the date of the enactment of this Act if the State, taking
4 into account the application of subsection (a), would other-
5 wise meet the requirements for an agreement under such
6 title.

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