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## ONE - HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

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**No. 1402**

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H. P. 1001

House of Representatives, February 8, 1961

Referred to Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bussiere of Lewiston.

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### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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#### AN ACT Relating to Total Amount of Weekly Benefits Under Employment Security Law.

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, economic insecurity due to unemployment is a serious menace to the health, welfare and morals of the people of the State of Maine; and

Whereas, involuntary unemployment is a subject of general interest and concern; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the following legislation be effective immediately to lighten the burden which falls so heavily upon the unemployed worker and his family and;

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, the facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**R. S., c. 29, § 13, sub-§ II, amended.** Subsection II of section 13 of chapter 29 of the Revised Statutes, as last amended by chapter 341 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

**II. Weekly benefit amount for total unemployment.** On and after ~~April 1,~~ ~~1957~~ **February 1, 1961**, each eligible individual who is totally unemployed in any week shall be paid with respect to such week, benefits at the rate shown in column (C) of the schedule below on the line on which in column (A) there is indicated the individual's wage class and such rate shall be the in-

dividual's weekly benefit amount; and the maximum total amount of benefits payable to any eligible individual during any benefit year shall be the amount listed in column (D). The individual's wage class shall be determined by the total amount of wages paid to him for insured work, during his base period as shown in column (B).

Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D
1. \$ 0.00 up to \$ 299.99		None	None
2. 300.00 up to 349.99		\$ 7.00	<del>\$ 182.00</del> \$ 273.00
3. 350.00 up to 399.99		8.00	<del>208.00</del> 312.00
4. 400.00 up to 499.99		9.00	<del>234.00</del> 351.00
5. 450.00 up to 499.99		10.00	<del>260.00</del> 390.00
6. 500.00 up to 599.99		11.00	<del>286.00</del> 429.00
7. 600.00 up to 699.99		12.00	<del>312.00</del> 468.00
8. 700.00 up to 799.99		13.00	<del>338.00</del> 507.00
9. 800.00 up to 899.99		14.00	<del>364.00</del> 546.00
10. 900.00 up to 999.99		15.00	<del>390.00</del> 585.00
11. 1000.00 up to 1099.99		17.00	<del>442.00</del> 663.00
12. 1100.00 up to 1199.99		18.00	<del>468.00</del> 702.00
13. 1200.00 up to 1299.99		19.00	<del>494.00</del> 741.00
14. 1300.00 up to 1399.99		20.00	<del>520.00</del> 780.00
15. 1400.00 up to 1499.99		21.00	<del>546.00</del> 819.00
16. 1500.00 up to 1599.99		22.00	<del>572.00</del> 858.00
17. 1600.00 up to 1699.99		23.00	<del>598.00</del> 897.00
18. 1700.00 up to 1849.99		24.00	<del>624.00</del> 926.00
19. 1850.00 up to 1999.99		25.00	<del>650.00</del> 975.00
20. 2000.00 up to 2149.99		26.00	<del>676.00</del> 1,014.00
21. 2150.00 up to 2299.99		28.00	<del>728.00</del> 1,092.00
22. 2300.00 up to 2449.99		29.00	<del>754.00</del> 1,131.00
23. 2450.00 up to 2599.99		30.00	<del>780.00</del> 1,170.00
24. 2600.00 up to 2749.99		31.00	<del>806.00</del> 1,209.00
25. 2750.00 up to 2899.99		32.00	<del>832.00</del> 1,248.00
26. 2900.00 and over		33.00	<del>858.00</del> 1,287.00'

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.