

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 239

In Senate, February 26, 1975

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Berry of Androscoggin.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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AN ACT Relating to Disqualification for Benefits under Employment  
Security Law.

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

26 MRSA § 1193, sub-§ 1, ¶ A, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 381, § 13, is amended to read:

Leaving work shall not be considered voluntary without good cause when it is caused by the illness or disability of the claimant and the claimant took all reasonable precautions to protect his employment status by having promptly notified his employer as to the reason for his absence and by promptly requesting reemployment when he is again able to resume employment; provided that during periods of high level unemployment as defined in section 1043, subsection 27, an individual shall be disqualified for benefits for not more than 6 weeks or until he has earned 4 times his weekly benefit amount, whichever occurs first;

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would moderate the disqualification period and earnings requirement during a high level period of unemployment when work is scarce due wholly to economic reasons.