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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 291, L.D. 355, Bill, "An Act to Further Define Disqualification for Unemployment Benefits"

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

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'Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1221, sub-§3, ¶C, as amended by PL 1965, c. 381, §19, is further amended to read:

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C. For the purposes of paragraph A, the experience rating record of the most recent subject employer shall may not be charged with benefits paid to a claimant whose work record with such employer totaled 5 12 consecutive weeks or less of total or partial employment, but in such case the most recent subject employer with whom claimant's work record exceeded 5 12 consecutive weeks of total or partial employment shall must be charged, if such employer would have otherwise been chargeable had not subsequent employment intervened.'

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Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

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FISCAL NOTE

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Certain changes in the number of weeks an employee must work for an employer before that employer's experience rating record

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2 may be charged with unemployment benefits will increase revenues  
to the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund within the Department  
of Labor. The amounts can not be determined at this time.'

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### SUMMARY

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This amendment removes the provision in the original bill that would disqualify from unemployment eligibility persons who accept temporary employment for a maximum of 12 weeks under a written agreement. In its place, the amendment substitutes an increase from 5 to 12 in the number of weeks an employee must work for an employer before the employer's experience rating record may be charged with unemployment benefits for that employment. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.