

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

R.018

L.D. 309

DATE: 5.26.05

(Filing No. S-269)

Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate.

STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
122ND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 233, L.D. 309, Bill, "An Act To Remove the Sunset on Part-time Unemployment Insurance Benefits"

Amend the amendment by inserting after the title the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Amend the Sunset on Part-time Unemployment Insurance Benefits''

Further amend the amendment by inserting after the title the following:

'Further amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph A by striking out all of the blocked paragraph (page 1, lines 27 to 31 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'This paragraph does not apply to a person who applies for benefits after September 30, 2005 2007. This paragraph continues to apply to a person who applies for benefits on or before September 30, 2005 2007 until that person has exhausted benefits payable under that application.'

Further amend the amendment in the first line after the title (page 1, line 23 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Amend" and inserting in its place the following: 'Further amend'

SUMMARY

The bill, as amended by Committee Amendment "A," removes the sunset on the expansion of unemployment benefit eligibility to

SENATE AMENDMENT

**R.018**

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 233,  
L.D. 309

2 workers who have a primary history of part-time work, who are  
laid off and are only able and available for comparable part-time  
4 work. This amendment instead retains the sunset but changes the  
sunset date from September 30, 2005 to September 30, 2007.

6

8

SPONSORED BY: Leo A. Snowe-Mello  
10 (Senator SNOWE-MELLO)

12

COUNTY: Androscoggin

14

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**SENATE AMENDMENT**



# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 309

LR 0581(15)

## An Act To Remove the Sunset on Part-time Unemployment Insurance Benefits

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment **A** to Committee Amendment **A**

Sponsor: Sen. Snowe-Mello

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

Undetermined future biennium cost decrease - All Funds  
Undetermined future biennium revenue decrease - Other Funds

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Employment Security Trust Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$2,771,000)	(\$3,526,000)

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment decreases the future cost to the Unemployment Compensation Benefit Account within the Department of Labor by \$2,771,000 in fiscal year 2007-08 and \$3,526,000 in fiscal year 2008-09.

This bill, as amended, includes Other Fund allocations of \$2,016,000 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$3,326,000 in fiscal year 2006-07 to the Unemployment Compensation Account within the Department of Labor for the additional cost of continuing to provide unemployment benefits to persons who are not available for full-time work under certain circumstances until September 30, 2007.

This bill, as amended, will not impact the unemployment contributions schedule based on projections developed using the Consensus Economic Forecasting Commission Forecast of October 2004. The State and all other direct reimbursement employers will be required to repay the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund for additional benefit payments in the current biennium.