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An Act To Allow Certain School Employees To Collect Unemployment

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative JACKSON of Fort Kent.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1192, sub-§7, ¶B, as amended by PL 1983, c. 13, §7, is further amended to read:

6 R With respect to weeks of unemployment beginning after September 3, 1982, in any other capacity for an educational 8 institution other than one described in paragraph A or as a school bus driver or janitorial staff worker, benefits shall 10 are not be paid on the basis of those services to any individual for any week which that commences during a period between 2 successive academic years or terms 12 if the individual performs those services in the first of the 14 academic years or terms and there is annual written reasonable assurance that the individual will perform the services in the 2nd of that academic year or terms; except 16 that if benefits are denied to any individual under this paragraph and the individual was not offered an opportunity 18 to perform the services for the educational institution for 20 the 2nd of those academic years or terms, the individual shall-be is entitled to a retroactive payment of benefits for each week for which the individual filed a timely claim 22 for benefits and for which benefits were denied solely by 24 reason of this paragraph;

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SUMMARY

This bill makes a bus driver or janitorial staff worker in a 30 public school eligible to collect unemployment benefits in between 2 academic years, even if the driver or staff worker has 32 received written assurance that the driver or staff worker will be employed by the school in that same position the 2nd academic 34 year.