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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Brown of Unity.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Amending the Unemployment Compensation Act as to Employer's  
Experience Rating Classifications.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, 1st quarterly contribution reports and contributions are due on or before April 30th of the calendar year; and

Whereas, if said report and contributions are delinquent, the employing unit is penalized for the entire calendar year rather than for any quarter in which delinquency occurs; and

Whereas, the penalty works an undue hardship on delinquent employing units; and should be corrected prior to said April 30th; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution 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. 24, § 7, ¶ (d), sub-¶ (3), amended.** Subparagraph (3) of paragraph (d) of section 7 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'(3) Any employer who under the provisions of this act would other-

wise be entitled to a rate of less than 2.7% shall nevertheless pay a rate of 2.7% for any quarter ~~during which~~ with respect to which he was in arrears in the payment of contributions or interest, ~~and his rate shall continue at 2.7% for the remainder of the contribution year,~~ unless the delay was occasioned by the illness or death of the person in charge of the records of the employing unit or by other unavoidable accident which shall excuse the employing unit from said penalty.'

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