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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 833**

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Committee: Business and Labor

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to unemployment compensation; to amend section  
2 48-624, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2007; to change  
3 the weekly benefit amount; and to repeal the original  
4 section.

5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. Section 48-624, Revised Statutes Supplement,  
2 2007, is amended to read:

3           48-624 (1) For any benefit year beginning on or after  
4 January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2005, an individual's weekly  
5 benefit amount shall be one-half his or her average weekly wage  
6 rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but shall  
7 not exceed one-half of the state average weekly wage as annually  
8 determined under section 48-121.02.

9           (2) For any benefit year beginning on or after January  
10 1, 2006, through December 31, 2007, an individual's weekly benefit  
11 amount shall be one-half of his or her average weekly wage rounded  
12 down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but shall not exceed  
13 two hundred eighty-eight dollars per week.

14           (3) For any benefit year beginning on or after January  
15 1, 2008, through December 31, ~~2010~~, 2008, an individual's weekly  
16 benefit amount shall be one-half of his or her average weekly wage  
17 rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but shall not  
18 exceed the lesser of one-half of the state average weekly wage as  
19 annually determined under section 48-121.02 or the previous year's  
20 maximum weekly benefit amount plus ten dollars per week.

21           (4) For any benefit year beginning on or after January  
22 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, an individual's weekly benefit  
23 amount shall be fifty-five percent of his or her average weekly  
24 wage rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but  
25 shall not exceed sixty percent of the state average weekly wage as

1 annually determined under section 48-121.02.

2 (5) For any benefit year beginning on or after January  
3 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, an individual's weekly benefit  
4 amount shall be sixty percent of his or her average weekly wage  
5 rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but shall not  
6 exceed seventy percent of the state average weekly wage as annually  
7 determined under section 48-121.02.

8 (6) For any benefit year beginning on or after January  
9 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011, an individual's weekly benefit  
10 amount shall be sixty-five percent of his or her average weekly  
11 wage rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but  
12 shall not exceed eighty percent of the state average weekly wage as  
13 annually determined under section 48-121.02.

14 (7) For any benefit year beginning on or after January  
15 1, 2012, through December 31, 2012, an individual's weekly benefit  
16 amount shall be seventy percent of his or her average weekly wage  
17 rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but shall not  
18 exceed ninety percent of the state average weekly wage as annually  
19 determined under section 48-121.02.

20 ~~(4)~~ (8) For any benefit year beginning on or after  
21 January 1, 2011, 2013, an individual's weekly benefit amount shall  
22 be one-half seventy-five percent of his or her average weekly wage  
23 rounded down to the nearest even whole dollar amount, but shall  
24 not exceed one-half of the state average weekly wage as annually  
25 determined under section 48-121.02.

1           ~~(5)~~ (9) For purposes of this section, an individual's  
2 average weekly wage shall equal the wages paid for insured work in  
3 the highest quarter of the base period divided by thirteen.

4           Sec. 2. Original section 48-624, Revised Statutes  
5 Supplement, 2007, is repealed.