

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 839

5 By: Senators Harriman, Bisbee
6 By: Representatives Magnus, Courtway, Hunt
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For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 11-10-705; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES. "

Subtitle

"TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 11-10-705. "

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 11-10-705(b) pertaining to contribution rates
20 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 "(b) (1) The contribution rate of an employer who has had three (3) or
22 more years of benefit risk shall be that shown on the corresponding line which
23 reflects his reserve ratio in the rate schedule which follows. The reserve
24 ratio in this schedule is determined by dividing the difference in
25 contributions paid and regular benefits charged by the annual taxable payroll.
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28 CONTRIBUTION
29 RATE
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RESERVE RATIO

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32	0.1%	9.95% or more
33	0.3%	9.35% but less than 9.95%
34	0.5%	8.85% but less than 9.35%
35	0.8%	8.65% but less than 8.85%
36	1.2%	8.35% but less than 8.65%

1	1.6%	7.95% but less than 8.35%
2	2.0%	7.35% but less than 7.95%
3	2.4%	6.75% but less than 7.35%
4	2.8%	5.45% but less than 6.75%
5	3.2%	2.45% but less than 5.45%
6	4.0%	1.35% but less than 2.45%
7	5.0%	Less than 1.35% with two (2)
8		years or less negative balance
9	6.0%	More than two (2) years negative
10		balance

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12 (2) Notwithstanding any other inconsistent provision of this chapter,
13 for any calendar year beginning on and after January 1, 2002, an employer who
14 has been assigned a contribution rate of six percent (6.0%) pursuant to this
15 chapter and who has had such a rate for the two (2) preceding calendar years
16 will be assigned an additional contribution assessment of two percent (2%)
17 unless such employer has a positive experience (i.e., contributions paid less
18 benefit charges) for one (1) of the two (2) preceding computation years (i.e.,
19 the twelve (12) month periods ending June 30). Furthermore, after two (2)
20 consecutive years of being assessed this additional contribution of two
21 percent (2%), this additional contribution assessment will be increased to
22 four percent (4%) unless such employer has a positive experience in at least
23 two (2) of the last three (3) preceding computation periods."

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25 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
26 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
27 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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29 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
30 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
31 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
32 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
33 act are declared to be severable.

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35 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
36 hereby repealed.