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A Bill

SENATE BILL 875

5 By: Senator Hester
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ADJUST WEEKLY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT AMOUNTS
9 TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE FEDERAL NONREDUCTION RULE ON
10 BENEFITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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14 TO ADJUST WEEKLY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT
15 AMOUNTS TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE FEDERAL
16 NONREDUCTION RULE ON BENEFITS.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 *SECTION 1. Effective for initial claims filed on the latter of January*
22 *1, 2014, or the first day of the calendar quarter after the federal*
23 *nonreduction rule on benefits expires under the American Taxpayer Relief Act*
24 *of 2012, Pub. L. No. 112-240, Arkansas Code § 11-10-502(c), concerning weekly*
25 *benefit amount for unemployment benefits, is amended to read as follows:*

26 (c)(1)(A) A weekly benefit amount shall not be greater than ~~sixty-six~~
27 ~~and two thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the state average weekly wage for insured~~
28 ~~employment for the previous calendar year for benefit years beginning after~~
29 ~~June 30, 1985.~~

30 ~~(2) However, effective July 1, 2012, the weekly maximum benefit~~
31 ~~amount established in subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall not be greater~~
32 ~~than four hundred fifty one dollars (\$451) sixty percent (60%) of the state~~
33 ~~average weekly wage for insured employment for the previous calendar year.~~

34 (B) However, the weekly maximum benefit amount established
35 in subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section shall not be greater than three
36 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325).



