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S. 1845

To provide for the extension of certain unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 17, 2013

Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. HELLER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. WYDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

DECEMBER 18, 2013

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Unemploy-
5 ment Compensation Extension Act”.


SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAM.

(a) Extension.—Section 4007(a)(2) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by striking “January 1, 2014” and inserting “April 1, 2014”.

(b) Funding.—Section 4004(e)(1) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (I), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in subparagraph (J), by inserting “and” at the end; and

(3) by inserting after subparagraph (J) the following:

“(K) the amendments made by section 2(a) of the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Extension Act ;”.

(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public Law 112–240).

SEC. 3. TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF EXTENDED BENEFIT PROVISIONS.

(a) In General.—Section 2005 of the Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families Act, as
contained in Public Law 111–5 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note), is amended—

(1) by striking “December 31, 2013” each place it appears and inserting “March 31, 2014”; and

(2) in subsection (c), by striking “June 30, 2014” and inserting “September 30, 2014”.


(c) Extension of Modification of Indicators Under the Extended Benefit Program.—Section 203 of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (d), by striking “December 31, 2013” and inserting “March 31, 2014”; and

(2) in subsection (f)(2), by striking “December 31, 2013” and inserting “March 31, 2014”.

(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public Law 112–240).
SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR REEMPLOYMENT SERVICES AND REEMPLOYMENT AND ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4004(c)(2)(A) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by striking “through fiscal year 2014” and inserting “through the first quarter of fiscal year 2015”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect as if included in the enactment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public Law 112–240).

SEC. 5. ADDITIONAL EXTENDED UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS UNDER THE RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT.

(a) EXTENSION.—Section 2(c)(2)(D)(iii) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. 352(c)(2)(D)(iii)) is amended—

(1) by striking “June 30, 2013” and inserting “September 30, 2013”; and

(2) by striking “December 31, 2013” and inserting “March 31, 2014”.

(b) CLARIFICATION ON AUTHORITY TO USE FUNDS.—Funds appropriated under either the first or second sentence of clause (iv) of section 2(c)(2)(D) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act shall be available
to cover the cost of additional extended unemployment
benefits provided under such section 2(c)(2)(D) by reason
of the amendments made by subsection (a) as well as to
cover the cost of such benefits provided under such section
2(c)(2)(D), as in effect on the day before the date of en-
actment of this Act.

(c) FUNDING FOR ADMINISTRATION.—Out of any
funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, there
are appropriated to the Railroad Retirement Board
$62,500 for administrative expenses associated with the
payment of additional extended unemployment benefits
provided under section 2(c)(2)(D) of the Railroad Unem-
ployment Insurance Act by reason of the amendments
made by subsection (a), to remain available until ex-
pended.

SEC. 6. FLEXIBILITY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
AGREEMENTS.

(a) FLEXIBILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (g) of section
4001 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008
(Public Law 110–252; 26 U.S.C. 3304 note) shall
not apply with respect to a State that has enacted
a law before December 1, 2013, that, upon taking
effect, would violate such subsection.
(2) Effective date.—Paragraph (1) is effective with respect to weeks of unemployment beginning on or after December 29, 2013.

(b) Permitting a Subsequent Agreement.—Nothing in such title IV shall preclude a State whose agreement under such title was terminated from entering into a subsequent agreement under such title on or after the date of the enactment of this Act if the State, taking into account the application of subsection (a), would otherwise meet the requirements for an agreement under such title.
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