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To establish an alternative trigger for determining if an extended benefit period is in effect for a State for purposes of certain benefits under the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. ALTERNATIVE TRIGGER.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 203(c)(2) of the Tem-
5 porary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of
6 2002 (26 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or” at
8 the end;

1 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period
2 and inserting “; or”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(C) such a period would then be in effect
5 for such State under such Act if—

6 “(i) the State law of such State pro-
7 vided for the alternative trigger described
8 in section 203(f) of such Act, applied in
9 accordance with clause (ii); and

10 “(ii) such section 203(f) were applied
11 by disregarding clause (ii) of paragraph
12 (1)(A) thereof and any reference to such
13 clause.”.

14 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by
16 this section shall apply in determining whether an
17 extended benefit period is in effect for a State for
18 purposes of determining eligibility for TEUC Second
19 Tier benefits based on an exhaustion of TEUC First
20 Tier benefits occurring on or after the date of enact-
21 ment of this Act.

22 (2) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this sub-
23 section—

24 (A) the term “TEUC First Tier benefits”
25 means any benefits, other than TEUC Second

1 Tier benefits, payable to an individual under
2 the Temporary Extended Unemployment Com-
3 pensation Act of 2002; and

4 (B) the term “TEUC Second Tier bene-
5 fits” means benefits payable to an individual
6 under the Temporary Extended Unemployment
7 Compensation Act of 2002 based on a deter-
8 mination under section 203(c) thereof.

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