1

AN ACT concerning unemployment insurance.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by
changing Section 604 as follows:

6 (820 ILCS 405/604) (from Ch. 48, par. 434)

604. Labor dispute. An individual shall be 7 Sec. 8 ineligible for benefits for any week with respect to which it is found that his total or partial unemployment is due to a 9 stoppage of work which exists because of a labor dispute at 10 the factory, establishment, or other premises at which he 11 is last employed. The term "labor dispute" does not 12 or was include an individual's refusal to work because of his 13 employer's failure to pay accrued earned wages within 10 14 15 working days from the date due, or to pay any other 16 uncontested accrued obligation arising out of his employment within 10 working days from the date due. 17

18 For the purpose of disqualification under this Section 19 the term "labor dispute" does not include a lockout by an 20 employer, and no individual shall be denied benefits by reason of a lockout, provided that no individual shall be 21 22 eligible for benefits during a lockout who is ineligible for benefits under another Section of this Act, and provided 23 further that no individual locked out by an employer shall be 24 eligible for benefits for any week during which (1) the 25 employer-refuses-to-meet-under-reasonable-conditions-with-the 26 27 recognized or certified collective bargaining representative of the locked out employees refuses to meet under reasonable 28 29 conditions with the employer to discuss the issues giving rise to the lockout or (2) there is a final adjudication 30 under the National Labor Relations Act that during the period 31

1 of the lockout the employer-has-refused-to--bargain--in--good 2 faith--with-the recognized or certified collective bargaining representative of the locked-out employees has refused to 3 4 bargain in good faith with the employer over issues giving 5 rise to the lockout, or (3) the lockout has resulted as a 6 direct consequence of a violation by the recognized or 7 certified collective bargaining representative of the locked 8 out employees of violates the provisions of an existing 9 collective bargaining agreement. An individual's total or unemployment resulting from any reduction in 10 partial 11 operations or reduction of force or layoff of employees by an employer made in the course of or in anticipation of 12 13 collective bargaining negotiations between а labor organization and such employer, is not due to a stoppage of 14 15 work which exists because of a labor dispute until the date 16 of actual commencement of a strike or lockout.

This Section shall not apply if it is shown that (A) the 17 18 individual is not participating in or financing or directly 19 interested in the labor dispute which caused the stoppage of work and (B) he does not belong to a grade or class of 20 21 workers of which immediately before the commencement of the 22 stoppage there were members employed at the premises at which 23 the stoppage occurs, any of whom are participating in or financing or directly interested in the dispute; provided, 24 25 that a lockout by the employer or an individual's failure to cross a picket line at such factory, establishment, or other 26 premises shall not, in itself, be deemed to be participation 27 by him in the labor dispute. If in any case, separate 28 29 branches of work which are commonly conducted as separate 30 businesses in separate premises are conducted in separate departments of the same premises, each such department shall, 31 32 for the purpose of this Section, be deemed to be a separate factory, establishment, or other premises. 33

34 Whenever any claim involves the provisions of this

Section, the claims adjudicator referred to in Section 702
 shall make a separate determination as to the eligibility or
 ineligibility of the claimant with respect to the provisions
 of this Section. This separate determination may be appealed
 to the Director in the manner prescribed by Section 800.
 (Source: P.A. 85-956.)