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SB1225

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

820 ILCS 405/611

from Ch. 48, par. 441

Amends the Unemployment Insurance Act. Provides that none of the amount received by an individual as primary social security old age and disability retirement benefits shall constitute disqualifying income.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning employment.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by 5 changing Section 611 as follows:

6 (820 ILCS 405/611) (from Ch. 48, par. 441)

Sec. 611. Retirement pay. A. For the purposes of this
Section "disqualifying income" means:

9 1. The entire amount which an individual has received or will receive with respect to a week in the form of a retirement 10 11 payment (a) from an individual or organization (i) for which he 12 performed services during his base period or which is liable 13 for benefit charges or payments in lieu of contributions as a 14 result of the payment of benefits to such individual and (ii) which pays all of the cost of such retirement payment, or (b) 15 16 from a trust, annuity or insurance fund or under an annuity or insurance contract, to or under which an individual or 17 organization for which he performed services during his base 18 19 period or which is liable for benefit charges or payments in lieu of contributions as a result of the payment of benefits to 20 such individual pays or has paid all of the premiums or 21 22 contributions; and

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2. One-half the amount which an individual has received or

will receive with respect to a week in the form of a retirement 1 2 payment (a) from an individual or organization (i) for which he performed services during his base period or which is liable 3 for benefit charges or payments in lieu of contributions as a 4 5 result of the payment of benefits to such individual and (ii) 6 which pays some, but not all, of the cost of such retirement 7 payment, or (b) from a trust, annuity or insurance fund 8 (including primary social security old age and disability 9 retirement benefits, including those based on self employment) 10 or under an annuity or insurance contract, to or under which an 11 individual or organization for which he performed services 12 during his base period or which is liable for benefit charges 13 or payments in lieu of contributions as a result of the payment of benefits to such individual pays or has paid some, but not 14 15 all, of the premiums or contributions.

16 3. Notwithstanding paragraphs paragraph 1 and 2 above, the 17 entire amount which an individual has received or will receive, with respect to any week which begins after March 31, 1980, of 18 any governmental or other pension, retirement, or retired pay, 19 20 annuity or any other similar periodic payment which is based on any previous work of such individual during his base period or 21 22 which is liable for benefit charges or payments in lieu of 23 contributions as a result of the payment of benefits to such individual. This paragraph shall be in effect only if it is 24 25 required as a condition for full tax credit against the tax 26 imposed by the Federal Unemployment Tax Act.

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<u>4. Notwithstanding paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 above, none of</u>
 <u>the amount that an individual has received or will receive with</u>
 <u>respect to a week in the form of social security old age,</u>
 <u>survivors, and disability benefits under 42 U.S.C. Section 401</u>
 <u>et seq., including those based on self-employment, shall</u>
 constitute disgualifying income.

7 B. Whenever an individual has received or will receive a 8 retirement payment for a month, an amount shall be deemed to 9 have been paid him for each day equal to one-thirtieth of such 10 retirement payment. If the retirement payment is for a 11 half-month, an amount shall be deemed to have been paid the 12 individual for each day equal to one-fifteenth of such 13 retirement payment. If the retirement payment is for any other 14 period, an amount shall be deemed to have been paid the 15 individual for each day in such period equal to the retirement 16 payment divided by the number of days in the period.

C. An individual shall be ineligible for benefits for any week with respect to which his disqualifying income equals or exceeds his weekly benefit amount. If such disqualifying income with respect to a week totals less than the benefits for which he would otherwise be eligible under this Act, he shall be paid, with respect to such week, benefits reduced by the amount of such disqualifying income.

D. To assure full tax credit to the employers of this State against the tax imposed by the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the Director shall take any action as may be necessary in the

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administration of paragraph 3 of subsection A of this Section to insure that the application of its provisions conform to the requirements of such Federal Act as interpreted by the United States Secretary of Labor or other appropriate Federal agency. (Source: P.A. 86-3.)