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3. Co-operate with all agencies responsible for or interested in the rehabilitation and placement of the handicapped.

4. Encourage the organization of committees at the community level and work closely with such committees in promoting the employment of the handicapped.

5. Assist in developing employer acceptance of qualified handi-

capped workers.

6. Inform handicapped persons of specific facilities available in seeking employment.

7. Conduct such educational programs as members deem necessary.

8. Report annually to the governor and general assembly on com-

- 8. Report annually to the governor and general assembly on committee activities and submit any recommendations believed necessary in promoting the employment of handicapped persons.
- SEC. 7. Committee officers may appoint an executive secretary and designate the duties and obligations of the position. Any person so employed may be the employee of another agency of state government appointed with the consent of the executive officer of such agency. The officers may appoint such other personnel as may be necessary for the efficient performance of the duties prescribed by this Act.
- SEC. 8. The committee is authorized to receive any gifts, grants, or donations made for any of the purposes of its program and to disburse and administer the same in accordance with the terms thereof.
- SEC. 9. There is hereby appropriated to the governor's committee on employment of the handicapped from the general fund of the state for each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 1965, and ending June 30, 1967, the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary for carrying out the purpose of this Act.

Approved June 3, 1965.

CHAPTER 110

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BENEFITS

H. F. 42

AN ACT to amend section ninety-six point three (96.3), subsection* four (4) and five (5), Code 1962, as to the method of determining benefit amount and duration of benefits for employment compensation, and as to the method of determining the contribution rates of employers, and also of employers with deficit accounts.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section ninety-six point three (96.3), Code 1962, is hereby amended by striking subsection four (4) and substituting in lieu thereof the following:
- 4 "4. Determination of benefits. An individual's weekly benefit 5 amount shall be an amount equal to one-twenty-second $(\frac{1}{22})$ of his 6 total wages in insured work paid during that quarter of his base period 7 in which such total wages were highest, subject to the following limi-

^{*}According to enrolled Act.

tation: The commission shall determine annually a maximum weekly benefit amount by computing fifty (50) percent of the average weekly wage paid to employees in insured work which shall be effective the first day of the first full week in July. Such maximum weekly benefit amount, if not a multiple of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be rounded to the nearest multiple of one dollar (\$1.00)."

"Such computation shall be made by determining gross wages as paid for insured work by employers in each preceding twelve (12) month period ending on December thirty-first (31) and dividing said gross wages by a figure resulting from fifty-two (52) times the average of mid-month employment reported by employers for the same

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SEC. 2. Section ninety-six point three (96.3), subsection five (5), Code 1962, is amended by striking from line thirteen (13) the words "each calendar quarter of".

Further amend subsection five (5) by striking from lines fourteen (14), fifteen (15) and sixteen (16) the words ", or his weekly benefit amount multiplied by seven point two per quarter, whichever is the lesser".

SEC. 3. Section ninety-six point seven (96.7), subsection three (3), paragraph d, Code 1962, is amended by striking from line fifteen (15) thereof the words "shall be;", and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"subject to the adjustment hereinafter provided, shall be fixed in accordance with the following table. Percentage of excess in said table means the percentage resulting from dividing the excess of contributions paid over benefits charged by the employer's average annual payroll."

Also, by striking lines sixteen (16) through thirty-four (34) and

substituting in lieu thereof the following:

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13	Rate	Percentage of Excess Is
14	"2.7%	0.0% but less than 2.3%
15		2.3% but less than $2.4%$
16	2.5%	2.4% but less than 2.5%
17	2.4%	2.5% but less than $2.6%$
18	2.3%	2.6% but less than $2.7%$
19	2.2%	2.7% but less than $2.8%$
20	2.1%	2.8% but less than 2.9%
21	2.0%	2.9% but less than $3.0%$
22	1.9%	3.0% but less than $3.1%$
23	1.8%	3.1% but less than $3.2%$
24	1.7%	3.2% but less than $3.3%$
25	1.6%	3.3% but less than 3.4%
26	1.5%	3.4% but less than 3.5%
27	1.4%	3.5% but less than $3.6%$
28	1.3%	3.6% but less than $3.7%$
29	1.2%	3.7% but less than $3.8%$
30	1.1%	3.8% but less than $4.0%$
31	1.0%	4.0% but less than $4.3%$
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33	.8%	4.6% but less than $4.9%$
34	.7%	4.9% but less than $5.3%$
35	.6%	5.3% but less than $5.7%$
36	.5%	5.7% but less than $6.1%$
37	.4%	6.1% but less than $6.5%$
38	.3%	6.5% but less than $7.0%$
39	.2%	7.0% but less than $7.5%$
40	.1%	7.5% but less than $8.0%$
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If, on the computation date, the total of all benefits paid from an employer's account for all past periods to and including those for the quarter ending September 30 immediately preceding the computation date, exceeds the total contributions paid to such account for all past periods to and including those for the quarter ending September 30 immediately preceding the computation date, such employer's contribution rate shall be:

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Rate		Perce	entage of	Exce	ss Is
4.0%			or more		
3.5%		0.1%	but less	than	0.5%
3.0%		0.0%	but less	than	0.1%

Provided, that the maximum contribution rate of any employer for the calendar year 1966 shall not be more than three per cent (3%), and for the calendar year 1967 shall not be more than three and fivetenths per cent (3.5%). Provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, any employer which employs individuals in the construction, erection, demolition, alteration or repair of roads and highways, or of bridges, buildings, factories, residences, earth work, grading, river work, or any other construction project, and who has not qualified for an experience rating shall pay three per cent (3%) in the calendar year 1966, three and five-tenths per cent (3.5%) in the calendar year 1967, and four point zero per cent (4.0%)in the calendar year 1968 and every calendar year thereafter until such time as he has qualified for an experience rating entitling said employer to a lesser rate of contribution. Provided further, that in no event shall any employer's contribution rate be more than two and seven-tenths per cent (2.7%) of the first ten thousand dollars (\$10,-000.00) of wages for insured work paid during any calendar quarter."

Approved June 2, 1965.