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A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning unemployment compensation by relieving
 2 unemployment compensation charges for employees who become
 3 unemployed due to a presidentially declared disaster.
 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 96.7, subsection 2, paragraph a,
2 subparagraph (2), Code 2001, is amended by adding the
3 following new unnumbered paragraph:
4 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. The account of an employer shall
5 not be charged with benefits paid to an individual for
6 unemployment that is directly caused by a major natural
7 disaster declared by the president of the United States,
8 pursuant to the federal Disaster Relief Act of 1974, if the
9 individual would have been eligible for federal disaster
10 unemployment assistance benefits with respect to that
11 unemployment but for the individual's receipt of regular
12 benefits.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill amends Code section 96.7 to provide that an
15 employer shall be relieved of charges for unemployment
16 benefits paid to an individual due to a major natural disaster
17 declared by the president. The proposed relief of charges
18 applies to a contributory employer but not to an employer who
19 is required or has elected to reimburse the unemployment
20 compensation fund.

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