

HR 6867

Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2008

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Labor and Employment

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (20 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Sep 10, 2008
Rep. Dingell, John D. [D-MI-15]	D · MI		Sep 15, 2008
Rep. Kucinich, Dennis J. [D-OH-10]	D · OH		Sep 15, 2008
Rep. Levin, Sander M. [D-MI-12]	D · MI		Sep 15, 2008
Rep. Miller, George [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Sep 15, 2008
Rep. Brady, Robert A. [D-PA-1]	D · PA		Sep 26, 2008
Rep. Wilson, Charles A. [D-OH-6]	D · OH		Sep 26, 2008
Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Oct 2, 2008
Rep. Carson, Andre [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Castor, Kathy [D-FL-11]	D · FL		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Childers, Travis [D-MS-1]	D · MS		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Foster, Bill [D-IL-14]	D · IL		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Hall, John J. [D-NY-19]	D · NY		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Hare, Phil [D-IL-17]	D · IL		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Hill, Baron P. [D-IN-9]	D · IN		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Hirono, Mazie K. [D-HI-2]	D · HI		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Porter, Jon C. [R-NV-3]	R · NV		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Sutton, Betty [D-OH-13]	D · OH		Oct 3, 2008
Rep. Yarmuth, John A. [D-KY-3]	D · KY		Oct 3, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 10, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Labor and Employment

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 3507	Related bill	Sep 22, 2008: Referred to the Committee on Finance by unanimous consent.

Summary (as of Nov 21, 2008)

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the House on October 3, 2008. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2008 - Amends the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 to revise the formula for Tier-1 amounts a state credits to an applicant's emergency unemployment compensation account (EUCA) for a benefit year. Increases the figures in the formula (the lesser of which shall be the amount credited): (1) from 50% to 80% of the total amount of regular compensation (including dependents' allowances) payable to the individual during the benefit year; and (2) from 13 to 20 times the individual's average weekly benefit amount for the benefit year.

Provides an additional Tier-2 period for deposits to an individual's EUCA, using the current formula, if, at the time that the amount established under this Act is exhausted, or at any time thereafter, the individual's state is in an extended benefit period.

Prescribes a formula for determining if a state is in an extended benefit period.

Allows the Tier-2 period augmentation to be applied to the individual's EUCA only once.

Prohibits a Tier-2 augmentation to an individual's EUCA under this Act after March 31, 2009, if the EUCA is exhausted after such date.

Extends the period of emergency unemployment compensation through August 27, 2009.

Exempts weeks of unemployment between enactment of this Act and December 8, 2009, from the prohibition in the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970 against federal matching payments to a state for the first week in an individual's eligibility period for which extended compensation or sharable regular compensation is paid if the state law of such state provides for payment (at any time or under any circumstances) of regular compensation to an individual for his first week of otherwise compensable unemployment. (Thus allows temporary federal matching for the first week of extended benefits for states with no waiting period.)

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 21, 2008:** Signed by President.
- **Nov 21, 2008:** Became Public Law No: 110-449.
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Cloture on the motion to proceed to the measure invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 89 - 6. Record Vote Number: 214. (consideration: CR S10701-10702; text: CR S10701)
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure agreed to in Senate. (consideration: CR S10701-10702)
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Measure laid before Senate by motion.
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Cleared for White House.
- **Nov 20, 2008:** Presented to President.
- **Nov 19, 2008:** Motion to proceed to consideration of measure made in Senate. (consideration: CR S10627-10628)
- **Nov 19, 2008:** Cloture motion on the motion to proceed to the measure presented in Senate. (consideration: CR S10627-10628; text: CR S10627)
- **Nov 18, 2008:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 1123 under authority of the order of the Senate of 11/17/2008.
- **Nov 17, 2008:** Received in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Oct 3, 2008:** ORDER OF BUSINESS - Mr. Rangel asked unanimous consent that it be in order today for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules relating to H.R. 6867. Agreed to without objection.
- **Oct 3, 2008:** Mr. Rangel moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Oct 3, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H10808-10814)
- **Oct 3, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 6867.
- **Oct 3, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 368 - 28 (Roll no. 683).(text: CR H10808-10809)
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- **Oct 3, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 10, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 10, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.