

**§1190. Study of benefit changes**

**1. Referral for review and evaluation.** Whenever a legislative measure containing an unemployment compensation benefit change is proposed, the bureau shall complete a review and evaluation pursuant to subsection 2 in advance of the public hearing on the proposed measure. Once a review and evaluation has been completed, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over the proposal shall review the findings of the bureau. A proposed benefit change may not be enacted into law unless review and evaluation pursuant to subsection 2 has been completed. For purposes of this section, a "benefit change" means any change in law that will cause a change in the number of people eligible as well as any increase or decrease in the dollar amount, maximum amount or duration of benefits payable.

[PL 1999, c. 740, §1 (NEW).]

**2. Content of review.** The review and evaluation must include, at a minimum and to the extent information is available, the following:

A. Projected annual change in cost to the fund for the ensuing 5 years; [PL 2011, c. 212, §2 (AMD).]

B. Projected impact on the experience rating records of employers, sorted by size and industry, and on employer's experience classifications, as described in section 1221, subsection 4-A, for the ensuing 5 years; [PL 2011, c. 212, §2 (AMD).]

C. Review of the impact of a proposed benefit change on recipient groups, including an analysis by gender, income levels and geographic distribution; and [PL 1999, c. 740, §1 (NEW).]

D. Any other information that the bureau considers appropriate to assist the Legislature in deciding on the proposed benefit change. [PL 1999, c. 740, §1 (NEW).]

[PL 2011, c. 212, §2 (AMD).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1999, c. 740, §1 (NEW). PL 2011, c. 212, §2 (AMD).

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