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BILL SUMMARY

- Permits unemployment compensation benefits to be paid to school bus drivers for summer unemployment.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Existing law

Under existing law, individuals who perform service for an educational institution, an institution of higher education, or an educational service agency in other than an instructional, research, or principal administrative capacity, cannot be paid unemployment compensation benefits for any week of unemployment that begins during the period between two successive academic years or terms of the employing educational institution, institution of higher education, or educational service agency, provided the individual performed those services for the institution or agency during the first academic year or term and there is a reasonable assurance that the individual will perform those services for any educational institution, institution of higher education, or educational service agency in the next academic year or term. Thus, under current law, school bus drivers are not eligible to receive unemployment compensation benefits for the summer months they are unemployed, when there is a reasonable assurance that they will serve as school bus drivers in the upcoming school year. (Sec. 4141.29(I)(1)(b) and (d).)

The bill

The bill eliminates this automatic denial of benefits described above for school bus drivers. Specifically, the bill permits benefits to be paid to an individual for service as a school bus driver based on the individual's service for an educational institution, an institution of higher education, or an educational service agency, including service as a bus driver rendered by an individual who is employed by an employer other than the educational institution, institution of higher education, or educational service agency for whom the service was

rendered, during the period between two successive academic years or terms of the educational institution, institution of higher education, or educational service agency for whom service was rendered. (Sec. 4141.29(I)(1)(b) and (d).)

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