

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB6273

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

820 ILCS 405/602

from Ch. 48, par. 432

Amends the Unemployment Insurance Act. Provides that an individual who has been suspended for misconduct connected with his or her work shall be ineligible for benefits. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning employment.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by changing Section 602 as follows:

6 (820 ILCS 405/602) (from Ch. 48, par. 432)

Sec. 602. Discharge for misconduct - Felony. individual shall be ineligible for benefits for the week in which he has been discharged for misconduct connected with his work and, thereafter, until he has become reemployed and has had earnings equal to or in excess of his current weekly benefit amount in each of four calendar weeks which are either for services in employment, or have been or will be reported the provisions of t.he Federal pursuant to Insurance Contributions Act by each employing unit for which such services are performed and which submits a statement certifying to that fact. The requalification requirements of the preceding sentence shall be deemed to have been satisfied, as of the date of reinstatement, if, subsequent to his discharge by an employing unit for misconduct connected with his work, such individual is reinstated by such employing unit. For purposes of this subsection, the term "misconduct" means the deliberate and willful violation of a reasonable rule or policy of the 6

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employing unit, governing the individual's behavior in performance of his work, provided such violation has harmed the employing unit or other employees or has been repeated by the individual despite a warning or other explicit instruction from the employing unit.

A-5. An individual shall be ineligible for benefits for the week in which he or she has been suspended for misconduct connected with his or her work and thereafter until he or she has been reinstated.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no benefit rights shall accrue to any individual based upon wages from any employer for service rendered prior to the day upon which such individual was discharged because of the commission of a felony in connection with his work, or because of theft in connection with his work, for which the employer was in no way responsible; provided, that the employer notified the Director of such possible ineligibility within the time limits specified by regulations of the Director, and that the individual has commission of the felony or theft to admitted his representative of the Director, or has signed a written admission of such act and such written admission has been presented to a representative of the Director, or such act has resulted in a conviction or order of supervision by a court of competent jurisdiction; and provided further, that if by reason of such act, he is in legal custody, held on bail or is a fugitive from justice, the determination of his benefit rights

- 1 shall be held in abeyance pending the result of any legal
- proceedings arising therefrom.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 85-956.)
- 4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 5 becoming law.