

SENATE FILE NO. SF0034

Military spouse unemployment sunset repeal.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways & Military
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to labor and employment; removing the
2 sunset provision terminating military spouse unemployment
3 benefits; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 27-3-311(a)(i)(D) is amended to read:

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9 **27-3-311. Disqualifications from entitlement;**
10 **grounds; forfeiture.**

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12 (a) An individual shall be disqualified from benefit
13 entitlement beginning with the effective date of an
14 otherwise valid claim or the week during which the failure
15 occurred, until he has been employed in an

1 employee-employer relationship and has earned at least
2 eight (8) times the weekly benefit amount of his current
3 claim for services after that date, if the department finds
4 that he:

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6 (i) Left his most recent work voluntarily
7 without good cause attributable directly to his employment,
8 except:

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10 (D) If unemployed as a result of relocation
11 due to the transfer of the unemployed individual's spouse,
12 either within or outside the state, from which it is
13 impractical to commute to the place of employment, and upon
14 arrival at the new residence, the individual is in all
15 respects able and available for suitable work and registers
16 for work with the department of workforce services or an
17 equivalent agency of another state where the individual is
18 residing. To qualify under this subparagraph, the
19 individual shall be married to a member of the United
20 States armed forces whose relocation is the result of an
21 assignment on active duty as defined in 10 U.S.C.
22 101(d)(1), active guard or reserve duty as defined in 10
23 U.S.C. 101(d)(6), active duty pursuant to title 10 of the

1 United States Code, or training or other duty performed by
2 a member of the army national guard of the United States or
3 the air national guard of the United States under section
4 316, 502, 503, 504 or 505 of title 32 of the United States
5 Code. Any benefits awarded under this subparagraph shall
6 be noncharged benefits and shall not affect an employer's
7 experience rating account. ~~This subparagraph is repealed~~
8 ~~effective July 1, 2018.~~

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10 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
11 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
12 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
13 Constitution.

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15 (END)