

CHAPTER 268

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

SENATE BILL 09-178

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AN ACT

**CONCERNING THE WAIVER OF CERTAIN ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
BENEFITS FOR UNEMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS ATTACHED TO REGULAR JOBS.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 8-73-107 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

8-73-107. Eligibility conditions - penalty. (1) Any unemployed individual shall be eligible to receive benefits with respect to any week only if the division finds that:

(a) (I) He OR SHE has registered for work at and thereafter has continued to report at an employment office in accordance with such regulations as the director of the division may prescribe; except that the director of the division, by regulation, may waive or alter either or both of the requirements of this ~~paragraph (a)~~ SUBPARAGRAPH (I) as to individuals attached to regular jobs and as to such other types of cases or situations with respect to which ~~he~~ THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION finds that compliance with such requirements would be oppressive, or would be inconsistent with the purposes of articles 70 to 82 of this title, but that no such regulation shall conflict with section 8-73-101.

(II) WITHOUT IN ANY WAY LIMITING THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION TO WAIVE OR ALTER THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a), DURING THE PERIOD OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC RECESSION THAT BEGAN IN 2008, IN ORDER TO ASSIST UNEMPLOYED INDIVIDUALS IN BEING AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATE JOBS AND TO ASSIST EMPLOYERS IN HAVING AVAILABLE TRAINED EMPLOYEES, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION SHALL WAIVE OR ALTER SUCH REQUIREMENTS SO THAT INDIVIDUALS ATTACHED TO REGULAR JOBS DO NOT HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a)

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-SIX WEEKS.

SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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