

By Mr. Murphy of Peabody, petition of John E. Murphy for legislation to make certain changes in the Employment Security Law. Labor and Industries.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Six.

AN ACT MAKING CERTAIN CHANGES IN THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 27 of chapter 151A is hereby
2 amended by striking out the second sentence of said
3 section 27 so that it shall read as follows: — *Section 27.*
4 No waiting period may be served and no benefits shall
5 be paid for the period of unemployment during which
6 an individual is unavailable for work because of preg-
7 nancy; provided, that in no event shall a waiting period
8 be served or benefits paid for the four weeks prior to,
9 or the four weeks next ensuing after, the date of birth of
10 the child.

1 SECTION 2. Section 25 of said chapter 151A is hereby
2 amended by striking therefrom subsection (f).

1 SECTION 3. Section 29 of said chapter 151A is hereby
2 amended by striking out of subsection (c) the words
3 “at law and in fact in a benefit year.”

1 SECTION 4. Section 25 of said chapter 151A, as
2 amended, is hereby amended by striking from subsec-
3 tion (e) the words “or (3) because of conviction of a
4 felony or misdemeanor.”

1 SECTION 5. Section 25 of said chapter 151A, as
2 amended, is hereby further amended by striking from
3 subsection (a) the third sentence, beginning "Any fail-
4 ure knowingly to furnish," and substituting therefor the
5 following sentence: — Any individual who wilfully makes
6 a false statement or representation in complying with
7 such registration and filing requirements to obtain or
8 increase any benefit may, at the discretion of the director,
9 be disqualified from serving a waiting period or receiving
10 any benefits for not more than ten otherwise compensable
11 weeks subsequent to the time of wilfully making such
12 false statement or representation, or of the discovery
13 that such false statement or representation was so made.

1 SECTION 6. Section 47 of said chapter 151A, as
2 amended, is hereby further amended by striking from
3 the first and third sentences thereof the word "know-
4 ingly" and substituting therefor the word: — wilfully,
5 — in each instance.