



1 maximum amount of remuneration, the amount arrived at by multiplying the  
2 state's average annual wage times sixteen percent shall be rounded up to  
3 the nearest hundred dollars. In no event shall the state's annual aver-  
4 age wage be reduced from the amount determined in the previous year]  
5 \$13,500

6 IN EACH SUCCEEDING CALENDAR YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CALCULATE THE  
7 BASE AMOUNT OF REMUNERATION NECESSARY FROM WHICH TO PRODUCE SUFFICIENT  
8 PREMIUM TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNUAL INCREASES IN MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT  
9 PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ARTICLE, AND OTHER FUNDING FOR THE UNEMPLOYMENT  
10 INSURANCE TRUST FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY OF THIS  
11 ARTICLE, AS MAY BE NECESSARY. The term "employment" includes for the  
12 purposes of this subdivision services constituting employment under any  
13 unemployment compensation law of another state or the United States.

14 S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 590 of the labor law,  
15 as amended by section 8 of part 0 of chapter 57 of the laws of 2013, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 (a) A claimant's weekly benefit amount shall be one twenty-sixth of  
18 the remuneration paid during the highest calendar quarter of the base  
19 period by employers, liable for contributions or payments in lieu of  
20 contributions under this article, provided the claimant has remuneration  
21 paid in all four calendar quarters during his or her base period or  
22 alternate base period. However, for any claimant who has remuneration  
23 paid in all four calendar quarters during his or her base period or  
24 alternate base period and whose high calendar quarter remuneration  
25 during the base period is three thousand five hundred seventy-five  
26 dollars or less, the benefit amount shall be one twenty-fifth of the  
27 remuneration paid during the highest calendar quarter of the base period  
28 by employers liable for contributions or payments in lieu of contrib-  
29 utions under this article. A claimant's weekly benefit shall be one  
30 twenty-sixth of the average remuneration paid in the two highest quar-  
31 ters paid during the base period or alternate base period by employers  
32 liable for contributions or payments in lieu of contributions under this  
33 article when the claimant has remuneration paid in two or three calendar  
34 quarters provided however, that a claimant whose high calendar quarter  
35 is four thousand dollars or less but greater than three thousand five  
36 hundred seventy-five dollars shall have a weekly benefit amount of one  
37 twenty-sixth of such high calendar quarter. However, for any claimant  
38 who has remuneration paid in two or three calendar quarters during his  
39 or her base period or alternate base period and whose high calendar  
40 quarter remuneration during the base period is three thousand five  
41 hundred seventy-five dollars or less, the benefit amount shall be one  
42 twenty-fifth of the remuneration paid during the highest calendar quar-  
43 ter of the base period by employers liable for contributions or payments  
44 in lieu of contributions under this article. Any claimant whose high  
45 calendar quarter remuneration during the base period is more than three  
46 thousand five hundred seventy-five dollars shall not have a weekly bene-  
47 fit amount less than one hundred forty-three dollars. The weekly benefit  
48 amount, so computed, that is not a multiple of one dollar shall be  
49 [lowered to] the next multiple of one dollar. On the first Monday of  
50 September, nineteen hundred ninety-eight the weekly benefit amount shall  
51 not exceed three hundred sixty-five dollars nor be less than forty  
52 dollars, until the first Monday of September, two thousand, at which  
53 time the maximum benefit payable pursuant to this subdivision shall  
54 equal one-half of the state average weekly wage for covered employment  
55 as calculated by the department no sooner than July first, two thousand  
56 and no later than August first, two thousand, rounded [down] to the

1 [lowest] NEXT dollar. On and after the first Monday of October, two  
2 thousand fourteen, the weekly benefit shall not be less than one hundred  
3 dollars, nor shall it exceed four hundred twenty dollars until the first  
4 Monday of October, two thousand fifteen when the maximum benefit amount  
5 shall be four hundred twenty-five dollars, until the first Monday of  
6 [October] JULY, two thousand sixteen when the maximum benefit amount  
7 shall be four hundred [thirty] SEVENTY-FIVE dollars, until the first  
8 Monday of [October] JULY, two thousand seventeen when the maximum bene-  
9 fit amount shall be [four] FIVE hundred [thirty-five] TWENTY-FIVE  
10 dollars, until the first Monday of [October] JULY, two thousand eighteen  
11 when the maximum benefit amount shall be [four] SIX hundred [fifty]  
12 dollars, until the first Monday of [October] JULY, two thousand nineteen  
13 when the maximum benefit amount shall be [thirty-six percent of the  
14 average weekly wage] SIX HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS, until the first Monday  
15 of [October] JULY, two thousand twenty when the maximum benefit amount  
16 shall [be thirty-eight percent of the average weekly wage, until the  
17 first Monday of October two thousand twenty-one when the maximum benefit  
18 amount shall be forty percent of the average weekly wage, until the  
19 first Monday of October, two thousand twenty-two when the maximum bene-  
20 fit amount shall be forty-two percent of the average weekly wage, until  
21 the first Monday of October, two thousand twenty-three when the maximum  
22 benefit amount shall be forty-four percent of the average weekly wage,  
23 until the first Monday of October, two thousand twenty-four when the  
24 maximum benefit amount shall be forty-six percent of the average weekly  
25 wage, until the first Monday of October, two thousand twenty-five when  
26 the maximum benefit amount shall be forty-eight percent of the average  
27 weekly wage, until the first Monday of October, two thousand twenty-six  
28 and each year thereafter on the first Monday of October when the maximum  
29 benefit amount shall be fifty percent of the average weekly wage  
30 provided, however, that in no event shall the maximum benefit amount be  
31 reduced from the previous year] EQUAL ONE-HALF OF THE STATE AVERAGE  
32 WEEKLY WAGE AS CALCULATED BY THE DEPARTMENT NO SOONER THAN JULY FIRST,  
33 TWO THOUSAND TWENTY AND NOT LATER THAN AUGUST FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY  
34 AND ON JULY FIRST OF EACH SUCCEEDING YEAR THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT SHALL  
35 EQUAL ONE-HALF OF THE STATE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE AS CALCULATED BY THE  
36 DEPARTMENT ANNUALLY PURSUANT TO THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBDIVI-  
37 SION. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE TERM "STATE AVERAGE WEEKLY  
38 WAGE" SHALL MEAN THE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE OF THE STATE FOR THE PREVIOUS  
39 CALENDAR YEAR AS REPORTED BY THE COMMISSIONER TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF  
40 FINANCIAL SERVICES ON MARCH THIRTY-FIRST.

41 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all  
42 claims filed on and after the effective date of this act; provided,  
43 however, that section one of this act shall take effect on the thirtieth  
44 day after it shall have become a law.