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AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to claims for unemployment
benefits

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Section 632 of the labor law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 3 to read as follows:
3 3. EMPLOYER DOCUMENTATION. ANY EMPLOYER WHO WILFULLY MAKES A FALSE
4 STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION OR WHO FILES FALSE OR INACCURATE DOCUMENTA-
5 TION WITH RESPECT TO A CLAIM MADE BY ANY PERSON SEEKING BENEFITS UNDER
6 THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.
7 S 2. Subdivision 3 of section 597 of the labor law, as amended by
8 chapter 42 of the laws of 1961, is amended to read as follows:
9 3. Limitation on review of determinations. Any determination regarding
10 a benefit claim may, in the absence of fraud or wilful misrepresen-
11 tation, be reviewed only within [one year] EIGHTEEN MONTHS from the date
12 it is issued because of new or corrected information, or, if the review
13 is based thereon, within six months from a retroactive payment of remun-
14 eration, provided that no decision on the merits of the case has been
15 made upon hearing or appeal. WHERE A CLAIM FOR BENEFITS HAS BEEN DENIED
16 A CLAIMANT MAY REQUEST A REVIEW BASED UPON WILFUL MISREPRESENTATION OR
17 FALSE STATEMENTS OF THE EMPLOYER WITHIN THREE YEARS OF THE ORIGINAL
18 DETERMINATION. Such review shall be conducted and a new determination
19 issued in accordance with the provisions of this article and regulations
20 and procedure prescribed thereunder with respect to the adjudication and
21 payment of claims, including the right of appeal.
22 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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