

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

(Prefiled)

January 6, 2021

Introduced by M. of A. SOLAGES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to regulations promulgated for systematic and sustained efforts to find work for unemployment benefits

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 591 of the labor law, as amended  
2 by a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the labor law relating to  
3 regulations promulgated for systematic and sustained efforts to find  
4 work for unemployment benefits, as proposed in legislative bills numbers  
5 S.2231 and A.3033, is amended to read as follows:  
6 2. Availability, capability, and work search. No benefits shall be  
7 payable to any claimant who is not capable of work or who is not ready,  
8 willing and able to work in his or her usual employment or in any other  
9 for which he or she is reasonably fitted by training and experience and  
10 who is not actively seeking work. In order to be actively seeking work a  
11 claimant must be engaged in systematic and sustained efforts to find  
12 work. The commissioner shall promulgate regulations defining systematic  
13 and sustained efforts to find work and setting standards for the proof  
14 of work search efforts. Such regulations shall take into account the  
15 need for claimants to provide child care for their child or children[  
16 ~~and the regulations shall ensure that such claimants are able to satisfy~~  
17 ~~the standards for proof of work search efforts~~].  
18 § 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
19 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the labor law relating  
20 to regulations promulgated for systematic and sustained efforts to find  
21 work for unemployment benefits, as proposed in legislative bills numbers  
22 S.2231 and A.3033, takes effect.

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

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