

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 13, 2026

Introduced by Sen. RAMOS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to including a dependent allowance with unemployment benefits

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 5 of section 590 of the labor law is amended by
2 adding a new paragraph (d) to read as follows:

3 (d) In addition to any benefits provided under paragraph (a) of this
4 subdivision, a claimant who claimed dependents on their state income tax
5 return filed in the tax year preceding the year in which the valid
6 original unemployment claim was approved shall be eligible to receive a
7 dependent allowance. Such dependent allowance shall be an amount equal
8 to five percent of the average weekly wage for the current benefit year
9 multiplied by the number of dependents claimed in the preceding tax
10 year.

11 § 2. 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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