

**SENATE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to unemployment insurance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Essex and Middlesex*

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1226 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to unemployment insurance.

*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 24 of Chapter 151A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in subsection (a) by striking out in lines 3 and 4 the words  
3 “Have been paid wages in the base period amounting to at least thirty times the weekly benefit  
4 rate” and inserting in place thereof the following:-

5           "Have been paid wages in at least two-quarters of the base period amounting to at least  
6 thirty times the weekly benefit rate".

7           SECTION 2. Section 6 of Chapter 175M of the General Laws as appearing is hereby  
8 amended in subsection (2)(d) by striking "25 employees" and inserting in place thereof the  
9 following:-- "50 employees".

10           SECTION 3. Said Section 6 is hereby further amended by inserting at the end the  
11 following:-- "(g) for purposes of this section employers of covered entities shall not be counted  
12 towards the total number of required employees for coverage."