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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative for an increase in the maximum weekly benefit amount under the applied unemployment trust fund balance.

Present law establishes the procedure which shall be applied by the administrator in determining the maximum weekly benefit amount.

- (1) Procedure 1: When the applied trust fund balance is less than \$750 million, the maximum benefit amount is \$221.
- (2) Procedure 2: When the applied trust fund balance is equal to or greater than \$750 million but less than \$1.15 billion, the maximum benefit amount is \$247.
- (3) Procedure 3: When the applied trust fund balance is equal to or greater than \$1.15 billion but less than \$1.4 billion, the maximum benefit amount is \$258.
- (4) Procedure 4: When the applied trust fund balance is greater than \$1.4 billion, the maximum benefit amount is \$284.

Proposed law changes Procedure 1 by increasing the weekly maximum benefit amount from \$221 to \$321.

Proposed law changes Procedure 2 by increasing the weekly maximum benefit amount from \$247 to \$347.

Proposed law changes Procedure 3 by increasing the weekly maximum benefit amount from \$258 to \$358.

Proposed law changes Procedure 4 by increasing the weekly maximum benefit amount from \$284 to \$384.

Present law provides that in no event shall the weekly benefit amount paid exceed \$284.

Proposed law increases the weekly benefit amount from \$284 to \$384.

(Amends R.S. 23:1474(I) and 1592(E))