

CHAPTER 74

(House Bill 416)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – State Collection of the Federal Unemployment Insurance Tax

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to directly collect from employers the federal unemployment insurance tax under certain circumstances; requiring that funds derived from the collection of the tax be used only for certain purposes; providing for a certain review by the Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to unemployment insurance law.

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 8–607.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Labor and Employment

8–607.1.

(A) IF AUTHORIZED OR DIRECTED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, THE DEPARTMENT MAY DIRECTLY COLLECT FROM EMPLOYERS THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TAX SET FORTH IN THE FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT TAX ACT, 26 U.S.C. § 3301 ET SEQ.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE FUNDS DERIVED FROM THE COLLECTION OF TAXES COLLECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION ONLY TO ADMINISTER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DESIGNATED UNDER §§ 8–302 AND 8–303 OF THIS TITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall submit any agreement reached with the federal government pursuant to this Act to the Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight for review.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of September 30, 2013, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, April 8, 2008.