

## TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO THE RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT

SEC. 201. (a) (1) Section 1(k) of the Railroad and Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by striking out "or which is included in a maternity period" and inserting in lieu thereof ", or, with respect to a female employee, a calendar day on which, because of pregnancy, miscarriage, or the birth of a child, (i) she is unable to work or (ii) working would be injurious to her health".

(2) The said section 1(k) is further amended by striking out from the first proviso "\$750" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1,000".

(b) Section 1(l) of such Act is amended by redesignating subsections "(1)" and "(1) (1)" as "(1) (1)" and "(1) (2)", respectively; by striking out from subsection (1) (2), as redesignated, "and the term 'statement of maternity sickness' means a statement with respect to a maternity period of a female employee, in each case"; and by striking out the present subsection (1) (2).

SEC. 202. (a) (1) The first paragraph of section 2(a) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act is amended by striking out (i) "(other than a day of sickness in a maternity period)"; and (ii) ", and (iii) for each day of sickness in a maternity period".

(2) The said section 2(a) is further amended by striking out the third paragraph thereof.

(3) The said section 2(a) is further amended by striking out the first line from the table thereof; by striking out "5.50", "6.00", "6.50", "7.00", "7.50", "8.00", "8.50", "9.00", "9.50" and "10.20" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$8.00", "8.50", "9.00", "9.50", "10.00", "10.50", "11.00", "11.50", "12.00" and "12.70", respectively; and by striking from the proviso "\$10.20" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$12.70".

(b) (1) Section 2(c) of such Act is amended by striking out ", other than days of sickness in a maternity period," wherever it appears; by inserting "and" after "base year;" where it first appears, and by striking out "; and the total amount of benefits which may be paid to an employee for days of sickness in a maternity period shall in no case exceed the employee's compensation in the base year on the basis of which the employee was determined to be qualified for benefits in such maternity period".

(2) The said section 2(c) is further amended (i) by striking out "leave work without good cause or voluntarily retire" from the second proviso and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "retire and (in a case involving exhaustion of rights to benefits for days of unemployment) did not voluntarily leave work without good cause"; (ii) by inserting after the words "normal benefits for days of unemployment", the first time they appear in the second proviso, the following: "or days of sickness"; (iii) by inserting after "for, unemployment" in the second proviso the following: "for sickness (depending on the type of benefit rights exhausted)"; (iv) by inserting after "compensable days of unemployment" in the second proviso the following: "or days of sickness, as the case may be."; (v) by inserting after "first day of unemployment" in the schedule in the second proviso the following: "or sickness, as the case may be."; (vi) by inserting after the words "days of unemployment" in the schedule in the second proviso the following: "or days of sickness"; (vii) by striking out "leave work without good case or voluntarily retire" from the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "retire and (in a case involving unemployment) did not voluntarily leave work without good cause"; (viii) by inserting after "unemployment," in the second sentence, the following: "or fourteen or more consecutive days of sickness."; (ix) by inserting after the words "such employment", wherever they appear in the last sentence, the following: "or sickness"; and (x) by adding the following two sentences at the end of such section: "Notwithstanding the other provisions of this subsection, an extended benefit period for sickness benefits shall terminate on the day next preceding the date on which the employee attains age 65, except that it may continue for the purpose of the payment of unemployment benefits; and, except in the case of a succeeding benefit year beginning with a day of unemployment, the next preceding sentence shall not operate to permit the payment of benefits in the period provided for in such sentence for any day of sickness beginning with the day on which age 65 is attained and continuing through the day preceding the first day of the next succeeding general benefit year. For purposes of this subsection and section 10(h), the Board may rely on evidence of age available in its records and files at the time determination of age are made."