



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2009 Wisconsin Act 1**  
[2009 Assembly Bill 5]

**Supplemental and Extended  
Unemployment Insurance Benefits**

*Prior law* provides that the governor may, by executive order, elect to establish a Wisconsin “off” indicator to allow for the payment of additional federally funded benefits instead of extended or supplemental benefits during a period specified in the executive order, if such election is permitted by federal law. The “off” indicator is effective at the beginning of the week in which additional federally funded benefits are initially payable or the beginning of the fourth week after the week in which the governor issues the executive order, whichever is later.

*2009 Wisconsin Act 1* provides that no extended benefits may be paid for any week of unemployment ending after January 27, 2009, unless benefits are payable for that week in this state under the federal Employment Security Amendments of 1970 (P.L. 91-373), as amended. In addition, no supplemental benefits may be paid for any week of unemployment ending after January 27, 2009, during which additional federally funded benefits are payable in this state. The governor may, by executive order, suspend the application of these provisions to allow for the payment of extended or supplemental benefits during a period specified in the executive order. The suspension shall be effective at the beginning of the week specified by the governor in the executive order and may be rescinded by similar order, which shall be effective at the beginning of the week specified by the governor in that order.

**Effective Date:** The Act took effect on January 31, 2009.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.