



2013 ASSEMBLY BILL 374

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1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 108.02 (26m) and 108.04 (3); and *to amend* 108.04 (11) (bm)
2 of the statutes; **relating to:** deletion of the waiting period for collection of
3 unemployment insurance benefits.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, a claimant must wait one week after becoming eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits before the claimant may receive benefits for a week of unemployment. The waiting period does not affect the maximum number of weeks of a claimant's benefit eligibility.

This bill deletes the one-week waiting period, thus permitting a claimant to receive benefits beginning with the first week of eligibility.

For further information see the ***state and local*** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 108.02 (26m) of the statutes is repealed.
5 **SECTION 2.** 108.04 (3) of the statutes is repealed.
6 **SECTION 3.** 108.04 (11) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:

ASSEMBLY BILL 374**SECTION 3**

1 108.04 (11) (bm) The department shall apply any ineligibility under par. (be)
2 against benefits and weeks of eligibility for which the claimant would otherwise be
3 eligible after the week of concealment and within 6 years after the date of an initial
4 determination issued under s. 108.09 finding that a concealment occurred. ~~The~~
5 ~~claimant shall not receive waiting period credit under s. 108.04 (3) for the period of~~
6 ~~ineligibility applied under par. (be).~~ If no benefit rate applies to the week for which
7 the claim is made, the department shall use the claimant's benefit rate for the
8 claimant's next benefit year beginning after the week of concealment to determine
9 the amount of the benefit reduction.

10 **SECTION 4. Initial applicability.**

11 (1) This act first applies with respect to benefit years beginning on the effective
12 date of this subsection.

13 (END)