



State of Wisconsin  
2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1123/1  
MED:eev

## 2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 318

August 26, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives KOLSTE, MASON, JOHNSON, GENRICH, JORGENSEN, HINTZ, SINICKI, BERCEAU, MILROY, HEBL, GOYKE, BILLINGS, POPE, SUBECK, C. TAYLOR, RIEMER, OHNSTAD, BOWEN, SHANKLAND, BROSTOFF, HESSELBEIN and SARGENT, cosponsored by Senators LASSA, C. LARSON, HARRIS DODD, HANSEN, MILLER, WIRCH, RISSER, VINEHOUT, RINGHAND and L. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Public Benefit Reform.

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 (UI) 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 UI benefits beginning with his or her 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4             **SECTION 1.** 108.02 (26m) of the statutes is repealed.  
5             **SECTION 2.** 108.04 (3) of the statutes is repealed.  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:

