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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

A claimant for unemployment insurance benefits must generally wait one week after becoming eligible before they may receive benefits for a week of unemployment. Act 185 suspended the one-week waiting period for claimants to receive unemployment insurance benefits for benefit years that began after March 12, 2020, and before February 7, 2021. Act 4 extended suspension of the one-week waiting period to March 14, 2021. This bill extends suspension of the one-week waiting period to September 5, 2021 (which is the Unemployment Work Week ending September 4).

The estimated one-time costs to implement the bill total \$1,894 charged to FED appropriation s. 20.445 (1) (n). These expenses are absorbable and include \$470 in administrative costs and 16 hours of IT work costing \$1,424.

This bill is estimated to increase total unemployment insurance benefit payments to Wisconsin during calendar year 2021 by \$36.2 million. These payments are 100% federally funded and are comprised of an estimated \$17.7 million in federally reimbursed payments of UI benefits for the waiting week, and an estimated \$18.5 million in Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) waiting week payments.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications