

By Senator Hill

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to unemployment compensation;
3 amending s. 443.036, F.S.; redefining the term
4 "base period" for purposes of determining
5 eligibility for benefits; providing an
6 alternative base period and for its
7 applicability and calculation; providing a
8 source of funds; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 443.036, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 443.036 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the
15 term:

16 (7) "Base period" means the first four of the last
17 five completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the
18 first day of an individual's benefit year.

19 (a) With respect to a benefit year commencing on or
20 after October 1, 2007, if an individual is not monetarily
21 eligible in his or her base period to qualify for benefits,
22 the division must designate the alternative base period to be
23 his or her base period. As used in this subsection, the term
24 "alternative base period" means the last four completed
25 calendar quarters immediately preceding the first day of an
26 individual's benefit year. Wages used in a base period to
27 establish a monetarily eligible benefit year may not be
28 applied to establish monetary eligibility in any succeeding
29 benefit year. If information regarding wages for the calendar
30 quarter or quarters immediately preceding the benefit year has
31 not been entered into the division's mainframe database from

