HOUSE BILL No. 4810

June 17, 1999, Introduced by Rep. Kuipers and referred to the Committee on Employment Relations, Training and Safety.

A bill to amend 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, entitled "Michigan employment security act," by amending section 34 (MCL 421.34), as amended by 1983 PA 164.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 34. An INTERESTED PARTY MAY appeal to the board of
- 2 review from the A REFEREE'S findings of fact and decision of
- 3 the referee or from a denial by the referee OR A REFEREE'S
- 4 DENIAL of a motion for a rehearing or reopening. -, shall be a
- 5 matter of right by an interested party. The board of review, on
- 6 ON the basis of evidence previously submitted and additional evi-
- 7 dence as it requires, THE BOARD OF REVIEW shall affirm, modify,
- 8 set aside, or reverse the A REFEREE'S findings of fact and
- 9 decision of the referee or a REFEREE'S denial by the referee
- 10 of a motion for rehearing or reopening. The board shall conduct

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- 1 an oral hearing in a matter before the board only after an
- 2 application for the hearing is made by an interested party and
- 3 the application is approved by IF 2 or more members of the board
- 4 assigned to review the appeal APPROVE OF THE CONDUCTING OF AN
- 5 ORAL HEARING. If an application for UNLESS THERE IS an oral
- 6 hearing, is not approved, the board shall not consider a written
- 7 argument unless all parties are represented, or all parties
- 8 agree that written argument should be considered, THE BOARD SHALL
- 9 NOT CONSIDER A WRITTEN ARGUMENT. If neither an oral hearing is
- 10 held nor written argument considered, the board shall decide the
- 11 case on the referee record. The board shall notify each inter-
- 12 ested party of its decision or order within 60 days after the
- 13 date of the last board of review hearing on a contested matter.
- 14 The board, in its discretion, may omit the giving of reasons in
- 15 cases where IN WHICH the decision of a referee DECISION is
- 16 affirmed without alteration or modification. If the appellant
- 17 fails to appear, the board of review may dismiss the proceedings
- 18 or take other action as it may deem advisable DETERMINES
- 19 APPROPRIATE. The board of review may, either upon UPON EITHER
- 20 application by an interested party for rehearing or on its own
- 21 motion, proceed to THE BOARD OF REVIEW MAY rehear, affirm,
- 22 modify, set aside, or reverse a prior decision on the basis of
- 23 the evidence previously submitted in that case, or on the basis
- 24 of additional evidence if the application or motion is made
- 25 within 30 days after the date of mailing of the prior decision.
- 26 The board of review may —, for good cause —, reopen and review
- 27 a prior decision of the board of review and issue a new decision

- 1 after the 30-day appeal period has expired, but a review shall
- 2 not be made unless ONLY IF the request is filed with the board,
- 3 or review is initiated by the board with notice to the interested
- 4 parties, within 1 year after the date of mailing of the prior
- 5 decision. Unless, an interested party, within 30 days after
- 6 THE mailing of a copy of a decision of the board of review or of
- 7 a denial of a motion for a rehearing, AN INTERESTED PARTY files
- 8 an appeal from the decision or denial, or seeks judicial review
- 9 as provided in UNDER section 38, the decision shall be IS
- **10** final.

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