

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law  
Section 4(e) and 6(a), (b), and (d)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1985 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 95A - Unemployment Insurance Law

4.

(e) An individual who has received benefits in a benefit year shall not be eligible for benefits in a subsequent benefit year unless such individual earns, after the beginning of the first benefit year, wages as a result of performing services in [the employ of another] INSURED WORK, equal to not less than ten times his weekly benefit amount for the subsequent benefit year.

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An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

(a) If the Executive Director finds that the individual's unemployment is due to his leaving work voluntarily without good cause. Only a cause which is directly attributable to, arising from, or connected with the conditions of employment or actions of the employer may be considered good cause. The individual's disqualification shall be effective for the week in which the unemployment began and shall continue (1) for not less than 4 nor more than 9 weeks immediately thereafter, according to the seriousness of valid circumstances as determined in each case by the Executive Director or (2) until the individual has become [employed] REEMPLOYED and has earnings [therein] IN INSURED WORK equal to at least ten times his weekly benefit amount. Leaving work to become self-employed, to accompany or join one's spouse in a new locality, or to attend an educational institution is neither good cause nor a valid circumstance for voluntarily leaving work. Only a substantial cause which is directly attributable to, arising from, or connected with the conditions of employment or actions of the employer, or another cause of such a necessitous or compelling nature that the individual had no reasonable alternative other than to leave the employment may be considered a valid circumstance. If the individual leaves his employment because of a circumstance relating to the health of the individual or another person who must be cared for by the individual, the individual must furnish a written statement or other documentary evidence of that health problem from a physician or hospital.

(b) For any week in which his unemployment is due to his having been discharged or suspended as a disciplinary measure for