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A Bill

SENATE BILL 302

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISTRIBUTION
OF THE PENALTY ASSESSED ON FRAUDULENT OVERPAYMENTS
AND CREDITED TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE
DISTRIBUTION OF THE PENALTY ASSESSED ON
FRAUDULENT OVERPAYMENTS AND CREDITED TO
THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 11-10-801(b)(11), concerning the sources of funding for the Unemployment Compensation Fund, is amended to read as follows:

(11) ~~All moneys recovered as penalty payments under § 11-10-532(a)(3)~~ Fifteen percent (15%) of the penalty assessed on all fraudulent overpayments under § 11-10-532(a)(3), the remainder of which shall be credited to the Department of Workforce Services Special Fund.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 19-5-984(c), concerning a report by the Director of the Department of Workforce Services, is amended to read as follows:

(c)(1) The fund shall include a subaccount for penalties collected under § 11-10-532(a)(3) that are in excess of fifteen percent (15%) of the



overpayment.

(2) The subaccount under subdivision (c)(1) of this section shall be used exclusively for activities to protect the integrity of the unemployment insurance program that are necessary to the proper administration of the Department of Workforce Services Law, § 11-10-101 et seq., as determined by the director.

(d) The director shall report to the Legislative Council on a quarterly basis on all uses of the fund and the subaccount.

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