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## Overview

Revamps the Shared Work Program.

## Section

Agreement requirements. Sets forth the information that an employer must submit to the commissioner of employment and economic development when submitting a shared work plan. The information must include certification regarding the proposed reduction in hours and compensation for the affected employee group; the name and social security number of each employee; certification for each employee about hire dates; the hours of work each participating employee will work under the plan; the proposed duration of the agreement; and the plan start date. Agreements may not be approved for employers with unpaid UI taxes or fees, those with a maximum experience rating, or those in high experience rating industries. Provides that UI requirements regarding pursuit of work and availability for work do not apply to those participating in the shared work program. Allows for one-year extensions of shared work plans and allows the commissioner to immediately cancel any agreement if the commissioner determines an agreement was based on false information or the employer is in breach of contract.

Provides that the one-year extension is effective retroactive to January 1, 2009. The remainder of the bill is effective August 2, 2009.