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Overview

This bill expands the MFIP hardship extensions.

Section

1 **Temporary hardship.** Amends § 256J.425, by adding subd. 3a. Makes MFIP participants who are subject to the 60-month time limit eligible to receive a hardship extension from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2012, if the participant meets the following criteria:

- Lives in a county with an unemployment rate of five percent or higher;
- Does not qualify for another hardship extension; and
- Meets the MFIP eligibility requirements, except the requirement that the participant be in compliance in the 60th month of receiving assistance.

Specifies that the sanctions that apply to other extended participants also apply to participants extended under this subdivision.