

ACT 30

A Bill for an Act Relating to Temporary Disability Insurance.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 392-25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“~~[[392-25]]~~ **Eligibility for benefits.** An individual is eligible to receive temporary disability benefits if the individual has been in employment for at least fourteen weeks during each of which the individual has received remuneration in any form for twenty or more hours and earned wages of at least \$400, during the ~~[four completed calendar quarters]~~ fifty-two weeks immediately preceding the first day of disability.”

SECTION 2. Section 392-43, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

- “(b) Weekly wages for the purposes of this section shall not include:
- (1) ~~[wages]~~ Wages earned by an employee in employment during any payroll period unless, during the ~~[four completed calendar quarters]~~ fifty-two weeks immediately preceding such payroll period, the employee has earned wages of at least \$400 and has been in employment for at least fourteen weeks during each of which the employee has received remuneration in any form for twenty or more hours; and
 - (2) ~~[remuneration]~~ Remuneration in excess of one fifty-second of the average annual wage in the State as determined for the preceding year pursuant to section 383-61(b) multiplied by the factor 1.21, which amount the director shall cause to be published annually prior to the first day of January following the determination.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act, upon its approval, shall apply to all disabilities occurring after December 31, 1999.

(Approved April 23, 1999.)