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This is the third in a series of email newsletters designed to keep you updated about key topics under consideration at the Legislature. If you DO NOT want to receive these newsletters, please reply to this message and I'll be happy to remove you from the list.

Providing Unemployment Benefits



Every day we hear news reports about the increasing number of jobs lost and businesses closing or going bankrupt. Nevadans who have lost their jobs are applying for unemployment benefits to help pay for their necessities until they can find new employment.

This week, the Assembly passed two bills that will enable Nevadans to access the unemployment funds that are included in the federal economic recovery package.

Assembly Concurrent Resolution 17 establishes that the state will accept all federal funding available to help with Nevada's 10.1% unemployment rate. It is estimated that these funds would put approximately \$400 million into our economy.

Assembly Bill 469 would make the statutory changes needed so Nevada can access the unemployment funding available to the state through the federal economic recovery package.

This funding is critical to our state. By providing unemployment benefits to Nevadans, we enable more families to make it through these lean times and ensure that workers are available when businesses begin to hire again.

More Details on the Federal Economic Recovery Package

To make sure that Nevadans have as much information as possible on funding available to Nevada from the federal economic recovery legislation passed by Congress, there is a link on the state legislative web site. This link provides details on the stimulus legislation and a schedule of upcoming legislative hearings. To access the information, go to: <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/75th2009/FederalStimulus/>

Contact Me

Please feel free to contact me at any time if you need help accessing legislative information or would like to provide input on a specific issue. My office number in Carson City is 775-684-8509, and my legislative email is mkirkpatrick@asm.state.nv.us.

Sincerely,

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