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Senate Bill 643

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NOTE

BY SENATOR BLAIR

[Introduced February 20, 2016;

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §21A-6-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
 2 to requiring individuals receiving unemployment compensation to apply for seasonal
 3 employment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §21A-6-1a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and
 2 reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 6. CHILD LABOR.

§21A-6-1a. Seasonal employment.

1 An individual working less than one hundred days during his or her base period in an
 2 industry recognized as seasonal, such as food processing and canning, or during the holiday
 3 season, shall not be eligible for benefits unless he or she has earned wages during his or her
 4 base period in other covered employment equal to not less than \$100. Individuals receiving
 5 unemployment compensation must seek out seasonal employment. If the seasonal employment
 6 does not fully remediate the individual’s loss of benefits, then the individual may still collect twenty
 7 percent of his or her entitled unemployment benefits.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require individuals receiving unemployment compensation to seek out seasonal employment.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.