Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to Subtitle A. Budget Reconciliation Legislative Recommendations Relating to Crisis Support for Unemployed Workers Offered by Mr. Smith of Nebraska

The amendment would allow states to pay a lower weekly supplement amount than \$400 and use remaining dollars for return-to-work bonuses or re-employment services for unemployed workers.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF NEBRASKA

Page 4, strike lines 9 through 14 and insert the following:

1	(b) Amount.—Section 2104(b)(3) of such Act (15
2	U.S.C. 9023(b)(3)) is amended—
3	(1) in subparagraph (A), by adding at the end
4	the following:
5	"(iii) For weeks of unemployment
6	ending after March 14, 2021, and ending
7	on or before August 29, 2021, up to \$400,
8	except as provided under subparagraph
9	(B)."; and
10	(2) by adding at the end the following:
11	"(B) STATE FLEXIBILITY TO PAY A LESS-
12	ER AMOUNT.—The state agency of the State
13	may elect to make payments described in sub-
14	paragraph (A)(iii) at a lesser amount of \$100,
15	\$200, or \$300, to be paid uniformly to all
16	claimants in the State.".

Page 4, after line 21, insert the following:

1	(d) Payments to States.—Section 2104(d)(1)(A)
2	of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9023(d)(1)(A)) is amend-
3	ed—
4	(1) in clause (i), by striking "agreement; and"
5	and inserting "agreement, as if all such Federal
6	Pandemic Unemployment Compensation had been
7	paid in the amount of \$400, notwithstanding any
8	election made under subsection (b)(3)(B);";
9	(2) in clause (ii), by striking the period and in-
10	serting a semicolon; and
11	(3) by adding at the end the following:
12	"(iii) expenses for back-to-work bonus
13	payments to individuals no longer so eligi-
14	ble (as determined by the State), as a re-
15	sult of earnings due to commencing em-
16	ployment, for the week immediately fol-
17	lowing such week; and
18	"(iv) expenses for reemployment serv-
19	ices and eligibility assessments described in
20	section 306 of the Social Security Act.".

