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Honorable Rick Snyder
Governor of the State of Michigan

Honorable Jase Bolger
Speaker of the House

Honorable Richard Hammel
House Minority Leader

Gary Randall
Clerk of the House

Honorable Randy Richardville
Senate Majority Leader

Honorable Gretchen Whitmer
Senate Democratic Leader

Carol Morey Viventi, J.D.
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Governor Snyder & Members of the Legislature:

In accordance with Section 8 of the *Michigan Employment Security Act*, being Section 421.8 of the *Michigan Compiled Laws*, the Unemployment Insurance Agency is required to report annually to the Governor and the Legislature any amount, in excess of \$1.00, that the maximum weekly unemployment benefit rate would increase if the annual increase in the United States Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index (CPI) were applied to the maximum weekly benefit rate.

I am therefore transmitting to the Governor, and to the House and Senate for publication along with this letter in the *Journals* of their respective bodies, the enclosed report showing that since the last increase in the maximum weekly benefit rate to \$362.00, the increase in the CPI would result in an increase in the maximum weekly unemployment benefit rate to \$453.19.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Arwood, Director
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Attachment

cc: Andrew S. Levin
Susan R. Corbin