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1 Senators Thomas of the 54th and Murphy of the 27th offered the following amendment:

2 *Amend the Senate Insurance and Labor Committee substitute to HB 1268 (LC 37 1085S) by*
 3 *deleting lines 15 through 17 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

4 3001 of Title III of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, as
 5 amended.

6 *By deleting lines 75 through 89 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

7 under the contract or plan in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of this Code
 8 section. Such coverage shall continue for the fractional policy month remaining, if any, at
 9 termination plus ~~nine~~ up to the maximum number of additional policy months specified in
 10 paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of this Code section upon payment of the premium to the
 11 insurer by cash, certified check, or money order, at the same rate for active group members
 12 set forth in the contract or plan, on a monthly basis in advance as such premium becomes due
 13 during this coverage period. An assistance eligible individual who is in a transition period
 14 as defined in Section 3001 of Title III of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment
 15 Act (P.L. 111-5), as amended, shall be treated for purposes of any continuation of coverage
 16 provision as having timely paid such premium if such individual was covered under the
 17 continuation of coverage to which such premium relates for the period immediately
 18 preceding such transition period, if such individual remains eligible for such continuation of
 19 coverage, and if such individual pays the amount of such premium not later than 30 days
 20 after the date of provision of notice regarding eligibility for extended continuation of
 21 coverage. For the period that the assistance eligible individual is eligible for the premium
 22 reduction assistance subsidy as provided in Section 3001 of Title III of the federal American

23 *By deleting lines 101 and 102 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

24 Reinvestment Act (P.L. 111-5), as amended.

25 *By deleting lines 125 through 128 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

26 or other person no longer contributes premium payments for this coverage. At

27 *By deleting line 132 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

28 (2) ~~A covered individual~~ Any group member or qualifying eligible individual who is an
 29 assistance eligible individual has a right to elect

30 *By deleting lines 137 through 147 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

31 Recovery and Reinvestment Act (P.L. 111-5), as amended, if:

32 (A) The individual was involuntarily terminated from employment ~~between September~~
33 ~~1, 2008, and February 17, 2009, as defined or otherwise experienced a loss of coverage~~
34 due to qualifying events specified in Section 3001 of Title III of the federal American
35 Recovery and Reinvestment Act (P.L. 111-5), as amended;

36 (B) The individual was eligible for state continuation under this chapter at the time of
37 termination;

38 (C) The individual continues to be eligible for state continuation benefits under this
39 chapter, provided that the total period of continuous eligibility shall not exceed ~~nine~~ the
40 number of policy months equal to the maximum premium reduction period specified
41 in Section 3001 of Title III of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
42 (P.L. 111-5), as amended, as measured from the month of the qualifying event making
43 the individual an assistance eligible individual ~~or the date of the election as provided~~
44 ~~in this paragraph, whichever is later; and~~