

RCW 50.29.010 Definitions. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Computation date" means July 1st of any year;
- (2) "Cut-off date" means September 30th next following the computation date;
- (3) "Payroll" means all wages (as defined for contribution purposes) paid by an employer to individuals in his or her employment;
- (4) "Qualification date" means April 1st of the second year preceding the computation date;
- (5) "Qualified employer" means any employer who (a) reported some employment in the twelve-month period beginning with the qualification date, (b) had no period of four or more consecutive calendar quarters for which he or she reported no employment in the two calendar years immediately preceding the computation date, and (c) has submitted by the cut-off date all reports, contributions, interest, and penalties required under this title for the period preceding the computation date. Unpaid contributions, interest, and penalties must be disregarded for the purposes of this section if they constitute less than either one hundred dollars or one-half of one percent of the employer's total tax reported for the twelve-month period immediately preceding the computation date. Late reports, contributions, penalties, or interest may be disregarded for the purposes of this section if showing is made to the satisfaction of the commissioner, as the commissioner may define by rule, that an otherwise qualified employer acted in good faith and that forfeiture of qualification for a reduced contribution rate because of such delinquency would be inequitable;
- (6) "Rate year" means the calendar year immediately following the computation date. [2009 c 83 § 1; 2002 c 149 § 11; 1987 c 213 § 2; 1986 c 111 § 1; 1984 c 205 § 3; 1983 1st ex.s. c 23 § 17; 1973 1st ex.s. c 158 § 11; 1971 c 3 § 16; 1970 ex.s. c 2 § 10.]

Reviser's note: The definitions in this section have been alphabetized pursuant to RCW 1.08.015(2)(k).

Conflict with federal requirements—2009 c 83: "If any part of this act is found to be in conflict with federal requirements that are a prescribed condition to the allocation of federal funds to the state or the eligibility of employers in this state for federal unemployment tax credits, the conflicting part of this act is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict, and the finding or determination does not affect the operation of the remainder of this act. Rules adopted under this act must meet federal requirements that are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal funds by the state or the granting of federal unemployment tax credits to employers in this state." [2009 c 83 § 2.]

Conflict with federal requirements—Severability—2002 c 149: See notes following RCW 50.22.140.

Construction—1987 c 213: "This act shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired or liability or obligation incurred under the sections amended or repealed in this act, or under any rule, regulation, or order adopted under those sections, nor as affecting any proceeding instituted thereunder." [1987 c 213 § 4.]

Conflict with federal requirements—1986 c 111: "If any part of this act is found to be in conflict with federal requirements which

are a prescribed condition to the allocation of federal funds to the state or the eligibility of employers in this state for federal unemployment tax credits, the conflicting part of this act is hereby declared to be inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict, and such finding or determination shall not affect the operation of the remainder of this act. The rules under this act shall meet federal requirements which are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal funds by the state or the granting of federal unemployment tax credits to employers in this state." [1986 c 111 § 2.]

Severability—1986 c 111: "If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected." [1986 c 111 § 4.]

Conflict with federal requirements—Severability—Effective dates—1984 c 205: See notes following RCW 50.20.120.

Conflict with federal requirements—Effective dates—Construction—1983 1st ex.s. c 23: See notes following RCW 50.04.073.

Effective date—1973 1st ex.s. c 158: See note following RCW 50.08.020.

Construction—Compliance with federal act—1971 c 3: See RCW 50.44.080.

Effective date—1970 ex.s. c 2: See note following RCW 50.04.020.

Wages defined for contribution purposes: RCW 50.04.320.