

HEADLINE: Gov. Pritzker Expands Unemployment Benefits Amid COVID-19 Emergency

The recent outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) caused Governor J.B. Pritzker to issue emergency rules expanding unemployment benefits for the State of Illinois.

As part of the expansion, an individual temporarily laid-off because their workplace closed due to COVID-19 could qualify for benefits from the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES). The IDES website also provides guidance on eligibility for unemployment benefits if you are unable to work because you are confined to your home to self quarantine, care for children who are home from school, or care for a family member who has contracted COVID-19.

For more information on COVID-19, and to apply for unemployment benefits, please visit the IDES website [HERE](#).

Below are some more helpful links for information about COVID-19:

[The Illinois Department of Public Health Daily Updates](#)

[The Chicago Federation of Labor COVID-19 Resources Page](#)

[The Chicago Department of Health Daily Updates](#)