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TRANSMITTAL: 91 INF-4

TO: Commissioners of
 Social Services

DIVISION: Income
 Maintenance

DATE: January 11, 1991

SUBJECT: Unemployment Insurance Benefits (UIB): Permanent
 Provision to Extend Benefits to UIB Claimants in
 Training

SUGGESTED

DISTRIBUTION: Public Assistance Staff
 Food Stamps Staff
 Employment Staff
 Medical Assistance Staff
 Staff Development Coordinators

CONTACT PERSON: Call 1-800-342-3715 and ask for:

Public Assistance - Charles Giambalvo, extension 4-3231
 Food Stamps - FS County Representative, extension
 4-0886

ATTACHMENTS: None

FILING REFERENCES

Previous ADMs/INFs	Releases Cancelled	Dept. Regs.	Soc. Serv. Law & Other Legal Ref.	Manual Ref.	Misc. Ref.
			Ch. 233 of L. of 1990	FSSB XII-C-1	
			Ch. 457 of L. of 1987 Section 599 of Labor Law		

The purpose of this release is to notify local social services districts of the passage of Chapter 233 of the Laws of 1990 which makes permanent the statutory provisions allowing the Department of Labor to grant extended UIB benefits to a claimant attending a training course or program approved by the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL).

A UIB claimant attending a training course or program approved by NYSDOL may receive up to 13 weeks of additional UIB benefits following exhaustion of regular and other extended UIB benefits, provided that entitlement to a new benefit claim cannot be established.

The Department of Labor requires that certification of continued satisfactory participation and progress in the training course or program must be submitted to the Department of Labor prior to the payment of these extended UIB benefits.

Local districts should continue to consider these extended benefits a resource available to eliminate or reduce the need for public assistance. UIB benefits received are counted as earned income in determining a household's monthly food stamp eligibility and benefit level.

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