



On November 21, 2008, President Bush signed the Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2008. This bill expands the Emergency Unemployment Compensation (EUC) program from a maximum of 13 weeks to a maximum of 20 weeks of benefits. The additional weeks will automatically be added to all existing Emergency Unemployment Compensation claims.

**If you have exhausted your EUC claim and are still unemployed**, your Emergency Claim will automatically be restarted. To access these additional benefits, all that is required of you is to file a normal weekly claim between Sunday, November 30, 2008, and Saturday, December 6, 2008, at on the internet at [www.expressclaim.org](http://www.expressclaim.org) or through the phone system at one of the below numbers.

**Northern Nevada - (775) 684-0350**

**Southern Nevada - (702) 486-0350**

**Rural Nevada & Out-of-State - (888) 890-8211**

You may continue to file weekly claims each week thereafter, as long as you are unemployed and remain eligible, until your benefits are exhausted. The added weeks may only be claimed for the week ending November 30, 2008 forward, as they are not retroactive.

**If you are currently filing for EUC and have not exhausted your benefits**, please continue to file your weekly claims, so long as you are unemployed and remain eligible. The additional benefits will be added to your claim automatically.

The Act also creates a second extension program (EUCX Tier II) for unemployed workers in states with high unemployment rates which allows for up to 13 weeks of additional benefits. If Nevada's Unemployment Rate remains above 6% and you exhaust all available funds on your first EUC claim, you may be eligible for EUCX Tier II benefits. Information about the second benefit extension, EUCX Tier II, will be posted on the Telephone Claim Center message announcements and at [www.expressclaim.org](http://www.expressclaim.org) as it becomes available.