Dear:

I have long opposed the federalization of our unemployment compensation system and you can therefore be certain that H.R. 8282 will have my most careful scrutiny if it should pass the House and come to the Senate during this Session of Congress.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen
Dear:

Thank you for your comments regarding H.R. 8282, the unemployment compensation proposal. This has been superseded by H.R. 15119, and the latter bill passed the House on June 22, 1966.

This is now before the Senate Finance Committee of which I am a member and hearings are scheduled to begin on July 13th. The first witness will be the Secretary of Labor and no doubt there will be some spirited testimony before we get through.

The bill was substantially amended by the House and you can be sure this will have my best attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen
Dear:

The Unemployment Compensation Act, H.R. 15119, on which there is a very sharp difference of opinion between the Senate and House of Representatives, is presently in the hands of a Conference Committee to iron out the differences between the two houses.

Insofar as I know, little progress has been made and it can well be that if the House is adamant, the House version will prevail or there may be no bill enacted at this Session of Congress.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen