TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

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TO: STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

FROM: ROSEMARY LAHASKY /s/

Deputy Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT: Release and Availability of the Significant Provisions of State Unemployment

Insurance Laws, effective January 2018

- **1.** <u>Purpose</u>. To announce the release and availability of the *Significant Provisions of State Unemployment Insurance Laws*, effective January 2018.
- **2.** <u>Background.</u> The U.S. Department of Labor publishes biannual editions of the *Significant Provisions of State Unemployment Insurance Laws* that provide key data on unemployment insurance benefits and taxes in the states.
- 3. <u>Publication Description</u>. This publication provides information on each state's wage requirements for unemployment insurance benefit eligibility, computation and amount of the weekly benefit, number of allowable benefit weeks and benefit week calculation, and the amount of earnings that will be disregarded for those individuals who are working part-time. It also provides information on the size of employer payroll required to pay unemployment taxes, the amount of wages subject to unemployment taxes, and the tax rates specific to each state's program.

The *Significant Provisions* publication is available online at https://oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/statelaws.asp.

4. <u>Inquiries.</u> Comments concerning this publication should be addressed to Julie Balster at 202-693-3615 or at <u>balster.julie@dol.gov</u>; or John Schuettinger at 202-693-2680 or <u>schuettinger.john@dol.gov</u>. Comments can also be mailed to any of the above at the following address: U.S. Department of Labor; 200 Constitution Avenue NW; OUI/Division of Legislation; Room S-4524; Washington, D.C. 20210.