ETA FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET REQUEST HIGHLIGHTS

ETA FY 2015 REQUEST

- FY 2015 Budget Request of $9.5 billion includes:
  - $8.8 billion for existing discretionary programs
  - $710.6 million for Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances (FUBA)
- Represents a decrease of $284.9 million from the FY 2014 enacted level
- Supports 1,137 FTE (781 FTE for PA, 188 FTE for Fed Admin of OFLC, 168 FTE for PA in OJC)
- To accomplish ETA’s mission, the Request reflects hard investment choices – to promote and protect opportunities for all Americans through cost effective, evidenced-based workforce solutions

EXISTING PROGRAMS

Program Administration - $155.6 M for PA & 781 FTE
ETA’s priority for S&E funds is to invest in federal staff to provide oversight and TA necessary to:
  - Increase industry-recognized credentials attainment
  - Deploy effective strategies that accelerate reemployment of job seekers in in-demand industries
  - Implement job-driven workforce solutions that help businesses grow

Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances (FUBA) - $710.6 million
- This assumes the TAA program will sunset on December 31, 2014, unless the New Career Pathways (NCP) program, proposed in this Budget is enacted; or the TAA program is reauthorized

Training and Employment Services - $3.255 billion, an increase of $106.7 million
- Formula Programs - maintains the State Reserve increase provided in FY 2014 from 5% to 8.75%
- Workforce Innovation Fund (WIF) - $60 million, an increase of $12.7 million over FY 2014 enacted level (includes $10 million for disconnected youth, $20 million for Pay for Success projects)
- Evaluation Set-Aside – continues set-aside funding mechanism so evaluations and research activities will be conducted by ETA in consultation with the Department’s CEO
- Women in Apprenticeship and Non-Traditional Occupations - propose elimination of the program

State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations (SUIESO) - $3.676 billion
- Unemployment Insurance (UI) - $2.7 billion as follows:
  - $2.697.8 billion for UI State Administration;
  - $14.5 million for UI National Activities;
  - $157.7 million for Reemployment Eligibility Assessments;
- Employment Service - $684.0 million
- Foreign Labor Certification - $762.3.0 million for FLC activities, including $48 million for program administration and $14.3 million for State Grants
- Workforce Information-Electronic Tools-System Building - $60.1 million to provide the DEI grants, Workforce Information Grants to States, and allow for electronic tools and reporting systems

Job Corps - $1.7 billion and 168 FTE
- Operations – $1.6 billion, an increase of $2.8 million over the FY 2014 enacted for new center operations
- Construction – $75 million, a decrease of $5 million from the FY 2014 enacted level, to enhance and maintain facilities
- Administration – $32.3 million, an increase of $2.2 million over FY 2014 enacted level

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Senior Community Service Employment Program

- In FY 2015 and thereafter, the Administration has proposed to transfer SCSEP to the Administration on Aging (AOA) in the Department of Health and Human Services.

NEW INITIATIVES

Opportunity, Growth, and Security Initiative

- **Community College Job-Driven Training Fund** - $1.0 billion to support industry-education partnerships to develop and disseminate common credentials and skills assessments
- **Apprenticeship Training Fund** - $500.0 million for formula grants to increase the number of Registered Apprenticeships and competitive grants to foster partnerships
- **Skills Grants** - $750.0 million to restore prior cuts in job training and employment services grants, provide incentives, assist targeted populations
- **State Paid Leave Fund** - $100.0 million requested to fund activities designed to expand adoption of state paid leave programs

**State Paid Leave Fund** - In addition, $5.0 million is requested to provide grants to states to assist in planning and start-up activities relating to state family paid leave programs

TES Initiatives

- **WIA Incentive Grants** - $80.0 million for incentive grants to states and tribal entities that best align their workforce, education, and social service systems to improve outcomes for all individuals
- **Sector Strategies** - $15.0 million for competitive grants to states and regions to support the development and implementation of sector strategies

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

Job-Driven Training for Youth and the Long-Term Unemployed

- **Bridge to Work** – $2 billion for innovative reemployment initiatives and reforms focused on the Long-Term Unemployed (LTU)
- **Back to Work Partnerships** – $4 billion for competitive grants for partnerships to provide work-based experiences for the LTU that lead to employment
- **Summer Jobs Plus** – $2.5 billion for subsidized summer/year-round employment opportunities for low-income youth, and competitive grants for promising/innovative strategies to improve outcomes

SUIESO Legislative Proposals

- Establish an enhanced **Reemployment and Eligibility Assessments and Reemployment Services (REA/RES)** program in all states
- Mandate states’ use of the **State Information Data Exchange System (SIDES)**
- Establish an offset for concurrent receipt of **Social Security Disability Insurance**
- Require states to cross-match UI claimants with the **Prisoner Update Processing System (PUPS)** database housed at the Social Security Administration

New Career Pathways (NCP formerly UDW)

- Merges the best of the TAA & WIA DW programs that serve overlapping populations and streamlines access to services, treating all displaced workers equally regardless of why they lost their jobs, & provides more services to workers overall

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