NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON MINIMUM WAGE EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development proposes to change regulations on minimum wage exemption for persons with disabilities.

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 8 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with minimum wage exemption for persons with disabilities, as follows:

(1) 8 AAC 15.120 is proposed to be repealed. The intended effect of this repeal is to eliminate the minimum wage exemption for persons with disabilities.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation at P.O. Box 115516, Juneau, AK 99811. Additionally, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will accept comments by facsimile at 907-465-2856 and by electronic mail at John.Cannon@alaska.gov. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System, by accessing this notice on the system and using the comment link. The comments must be received not later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation at P.O. Box 115516, Juneau, AK 99811. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and on the agency website.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact John Cannon at John.Cannon@alaska.gov and 907-465-2814 not later than Tuesday, October 31, 2017 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and by contacting John Cannon at John.Cannon@alaska.gov and 907-465-2814.

After the public comment period ends, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

Statutory authority: AS 23.10.070

Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific: AS 23.10.070

Fiscal information: The proposed regulation change is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Date: Septembr 19, 2017 Heir

Heidi Drygas, Commissioner

Department of Labor and Workforce Development