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Meeting Date: September 29, 2009
Meeting Time: 11:00 A.M.
Meeting Place: State House, 200 W. Washington St., Room 404
Meeting City: Indianapolis, Indiana
Meeting Number: 2

REVISED MEETING AGENDA

- (1) Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.
- (2) Additional information from the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) concerning the solvency of the unemployment insurance benefit fund (Fund) and related issues.
 - (A) December 2008, DWD letter concerning the solvency of the Fund.
 - (B) Tax rates and taxable wage base of states that are not borrowing from the federal unemployment account.
 - (C) A comparison of changes in the state forecasts since HEA 1379 (P.L.175-2009) was enacted.
 - (D) Legislative changes made by other states with unemployment insurance trust fund deficits (Nebraska suggested as an example).
- (3) Additional information concerning DWD's implementation of HEA 1379.
 - (A) Correspondence from the federal Department of Labor (DOL) concerning DWD's implementation of HEA 1379 as affecting the state's compliance with federal law, including the implementation of:
 - (1) a compliance center; and
 - (2) a voluntary buy-down.
 - (B) Administrative law judge (ALJ) training materials used by DWD.
- (4) Additional information from DWD concerning the possible enactment of the Unemployment Insurance Modernization provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).
 - (A) The cost of implementing each of the ARRA Unemployment Insurance Modernization provisions.

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- (B) The assumptions DWD made in preparing its report, dated August 11, 2009 (Exhibit 4 to the Committee's September 9, 2009, meeting minutes).
- (C) Information as to which borrowing states have implemented which ARRA Unemployment Insurance Modernization provisions.
- (5) Additional information concerning DWD's response to DOL's Monitoring Report, dated March 9, 2009, concerning DOL's review of DWD's workforce programs.
- (6) Additional information from DWD concerning the operation of the state's unemployment insurance (UI) system.
 - (A) Information concerning the percentage of unemployed individuals who apply for UI benefits and the percentage of applicants determined to be qualified for UI benefits.
 - (B) Information concerning the number of computer terminals available at each WorkOne Center for use by UI applicants or recipients.
 - (C) Information concerning the DWD staff assigned to assist UI applicants or recipients in navigating the computer intake and Career Connect systems, including:
 - (1) the number of DWD staff assigned to this task at each WorkOne Center; and
 - (2) an explanation of any other duties performed by the DWD staff.
 - (D) Information concerning the UI claims appeal procedure.
 - (E) Status report concerning the ALJ UI claims caseload.
 - (F) Report concerning ALJ staffing tables, including the number of unfilled positions.
 - (G) Status report concerning non-attorneys serving as ALJs.
 - (H) A map of in-network ATM's available to UI benefit debit card users.
- (7) New Business.
- (8) Public Comments.
- (9) Other Business.
- (8) Selection of the next meeting date.
- (9) Adjournment.

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