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| DOL releases $20.4M in UI funds to Hawaii | http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20090912.htm | Press Release | The U.S. Department of Labor today certified for release $20,351,150 in unemployment insurance (UI) modernization incentive funds to the state of Hawaii. The Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations can use the funds to pay unemployment benefits or, if appropriated by the legislature, for administering its unemployment insurance program or delivering employment services. | The U.S. Department of Labor today certified for release $20,351,150 in unemployment insurance (UI) modernization incentive funds to the state of Hawaii. Hawaii qualified for these funds available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) by including certain family-friendly provisions in its UI law.<br><br>"Hawaii previously received part of its share of UI modernization funds for its longstanding policy of helping unemployed workers with recent work experience receive the assistance they need and deserve," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "To qualify for the remainder of the state's funding, Hawaii now has updated its law to make it easier for workers seeking part-time work and workers who become unemployed for compelling family reasons to be eligible for benefits. These are the right things to do for workers and are good for the state's economic recovery."<br><br>The Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations can use the funds to pay unemployment benefits or, if appropriated by the legislature, for administering its unemployment insurance program or delivering employment<br><br>The Recovery Act made a total of $7 billion available in UI mod | 8/11/2009 11:00 | UI;incentive;funds;Hawaii;recovery;workers;unemployed; |
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