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PRIVATE EMPLOYERS, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, **EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS**

Applicants to and employees of most private employers, state and local governments, educational institutions, employment agencies and labor organizations are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following bases:

RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, protects applicants and employees from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), or national origin. Religious discrimination includes failing to reasonably accommodate an employee's religious practices where the accommodation does not impose

undue hardship. **DISABILITY** Title I and Title V of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, protect qualified individuals from discrimination on the basis of disability in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. Disability discrimination includes not making reasonable accommodation to the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, barring undue hardship. **AGE** The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, protects applicants and employees 40 years of age or older from discrimination based on age in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral,

SEX (WAGES) In addition to sex discrimination prohibited by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, the Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended, prohibits sex discrimination in the payment of wages to women and men performing substantially equal work, in jobs that require equal skill, effort, and responsibility, under similar working conditions, in the same establishment.

and other aspects of employment.

GENETICS Title II of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 protects applicants and employees from discrimination based on genetic information in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. GINA also restricts employers' acquisition of genetic information and strictly limits disclosure of genetic information. Genetic information includes information about genetic tests of applicants, employees, or their family members; the manifestation of diseases or disorders in family members (family medical history); and requests for or receipt of genetic services by applicants, employees, or their family members.

RETALIATION All of these Federal laws prohibit covered entities from retaliating against a person who files a charge of discrimination, participates in a discrimination proceeding, or otherwise opposes an unlawful employment practice. WHAT TO DO IF YOU BELIEVE DISCRIMINATION HAS **OCCURRED** There are strict time limits for filing charges of

employment discrimination. To preserve the ability of EEOC to act on your behalf and to protect your right to file a private lawsuit, should you ultimately need to, you should contact EEOC promptly when discrimination is suspected: The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), 1-800-669-4000 (toll-free) or 1-800-669-6820 (toll-free TTY number for individuals with hearing impairments). EEOC field office information is available at www.eeoc.gov or in most telephone directories in the U.S. Government or Federal Government section. Additional information about EEOC, including information about charge filing, is available at www.eeoc.gov.

PROTECTED VETERANS The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment

employment discrimination against, and requires affirmative action

to recruit, employ, and advance in employment, disabled veterans,

recently separated veterans (i.e., within three years of discharge or

release from active duty), active duty wartime or campaign badge

RETALIATION Retaliation is prohibited against a person who files a complaint of discrimination, participates in an OFCCP proceeding,

or otherwise opposes discrimination under these Federal laws. Any

Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, prohibits

veterans, or Armed Forces service medal veterans.

EMPLOYERS HOLDING FEDERAL CONTRACTS OR SUBCONTRACTS

Applicants to and employees of companies with a Federal government contract or subcontract are protected under Federal law from discrimination on the following bases: RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER levels of employment, including the executive level.

IDENTITY, NATIONAL ORIGIN Executive Order 11246, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin, and requires affirmative action to ensure equality of opportunity in all aspects of employment. PAY SECRECY Executive Order 11246, as amended, protects applicants and employees from discrimination based on inquiring about, disclosing, or discussing their compensation or the

compensation of other applicants or employees. **INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES** Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, protects qualified individuals with disabilities from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment. Disability discrimination includes not making reasonable accommodation to the known physical or mental limitations of an otherwise qualified individual with a disability who is an applicant or employee, barring undue hardship to the employer. Section 503 also requires that Federal contractors take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with disabilities at all

person who believes a contractor has violated its nondiscrimination or affirmative action obligations under the authorities above should contact immediately: The Office of Federal Contract Compliance

Programs (OFCCP), U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, 1-800-397-6251 (toll-free) or (202) 693-1337 (TTY). OFCCP may also be contacted by e-mail at OFCCP-Public@dol.gov, or by calling an OFCCP regional or district office, listed in most telephone directories under U.S. Government, Department of Labor.

If you believe that you have experienced discrimination contact OFCCP: 1-800-397-6251 TTY 1-877-889-5627 www.dol.gov.

PROGRAMS OR ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX In addition to the protections of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance. Employment discrimination is covered by Title VI if the primary objective of the financial assistance is provision of employment, or where employment discrimination causes or may cause discrimination in providing services under such programs. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs or EEOC 9/02 and OFCCP 8/08 Versions Useable With 11/09 Supplement

activities which receive Federal financial assistance. **INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES** Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, prohibits employment discrimination on the basis of disability in any program or activity which receives Federal financial assistance. Discrimination is prohibited in all aspects of employment against persons with disabilities who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions of the job. If you believe you have been discriminated against in a program of any institution which receives Federal financial assistance, you should immediately contact the Federal agency providing such assistance. Mandatory Supplement to EEOC P/E-1(Revised 11/09) "EEO is the Law" Poster

FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE \$7.25 PER HOUR BEGINNING JULY 24, 2009

The law requires employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.

OVERTIME PAY At least 1 ½ times your regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

CHILD LABOR An employee must be at least 16 years old to work in most non-farm jobs and at least 18 to work in non-farm jobs declared hazardous by the Secretary of Labor. Youths 14 and 15 years old may work outside school hours in various nonmanufacturing, non-mining, non-hazardous jobs with certain work

hours restrictions. Different rules apply in agricultural employment. TIP CREDIT Employers of "tipped employees" who meet certain conditions may claim a partial wage credit based on tips received by their employees. Employers must pay tipped employees a cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour if they claim a tip credit against their minimum wage obligation. If an employee's tips combined with the employer's cash wage of at least \$2.13 per hour do not equal the minimum hourly wage, the employer must make up the difference.

NURSING MOTHERS The FLSA requires employers to provide reasonable break time for a nursing mother employee who is subject to the FLSA's overtime requirements in order for the employee to express breast milk for her nursing child for one year after the child's birth each time such employee has a need to express breast milk. Employers are also required to provide a place, other than a bathroom, that is shielded from view and free from intrusion from coworkers and the public, which may be used by the employee to express breast milk.

ENFORCEMENT The Department has authority to recover back wages and an equal amount in liquidated damages in instances of minimum wage, overtime, and other violations. The Department may litigate and/or recommend criminal prosecution. Employers may be assessed civil money penalties for each willful or repeated

violation of the minimum wage or overtime pay provisions of the law. Civil money penalties may also be assessed for violations of the FLSA's child labor provisions. Heightened civil money penalties may be assessed for each child labor violation that results in the death or serious injury of any minor employee, and such assessments may be doubled when the violations are determined to be willful or repeated. The law also prohibits retaliating against or discharging workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the FLSA. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

 Certain occupations and establishments are exempt from the minimum wage, and/or overtime pay provisions. Special provisions apply to workers in American Samoa, the

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

 Some state laws provide greater employee protections; employers must comply with both.

 Some employers incorrectly classify workers as "independent contractors" when they are actually employees under the FLSA. It is important to know the difference between the two because employees (unless exempt) are entitled to the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime pay protections and correctly classified independent contractors are not.

• Certain full-time students, student learners, apprentices, and workers with disabilities may be paid less than the minimum wage under special certificates issued by the Department of Labor.





DISCRIMINATION



SOUTH CAROLINA LAW PROHIBITS EMPLOYMENT

DISCRIMINATION Based on: Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex (including Pregnancy & Childbirth or related medical

conditions), Age (40+), or Disability **Examples of conduct covered under the law:**

- Failure to Hire or Promote
- Unequal Wages Harassment/Intimidation
- Discipline/Demotion/Suspension/Termination
- Applying Different Terms and Conditions of Employment
- Failure to Reasonably Accommodate due to: disability; religion; pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, including, but not limited, to lactation
- Retaliation as a result of complaining about discrimination, seeking an accommodation, or participating in a discrimination investigation

How to report unlawful discrimination:

- Complete a questionnaire via phone, in-person, mail, or online at www.schac.sc.gov. Once submitted, a SCHAC Intake Officer will contact you and assist you in filing a formal complaint. • You must file a formal complaint to launch an investigation.
- There are strict time limits for filing charges of employment discrimination. To preserve the ability to act on your behalf and to protect your right to file a private lawsuit, should you ultimately need to,

you should contact SCHAC promptly when discrimination is suspected.

Employers, including each State Agency, or department of the State, and local subdivision thereof, SHALL POST, KEEP POSTED, AND MAINTAINED IN **CONSPICUOUS PLACES UPON THEIR PREMISES** where notices to employees and applicants for employment are customarily posted a notice to be prepared and distributed by the Commission setting forth excerpts from and/or summaries of, pertinent provisions of the HUMAN AFFAIRS LAW and LACTATION SUPPORT ACT, and information pertinent to the filing of a complaint.

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South Carolina

Human Affairs

Commission

1026 Sumter Street, Suite 101

Columbia, SC, 29201

www.schac.sc.gov

Phone: 803.737.7800

Toll-Free: 1.800.521.0725

In addition to preventing **Employment** discrimination, the mission of SCHAC is to eliminate and prevent unlawful discrimination in:

Housing on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status or disability; and **Public Accommodations** on the basis of race, color, national origin or religion.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

This establishment may be covered by the S.C. Unemployment Compensation Law.

If you become unemployed, contact your local SC Works center for assistance with employment opportunities. If no job is immediately available, you may be eligible for unemployment insurance. If only part time work is available, you may be eligible for partial benefits. Apply online anytime, anywhere at https://scuihub.dew.sc.gov/CSS/

A guide to applying for unemployment benefits can be found at https://dew.sc.gov/individuals/apply-for-benefits

Workers Pay No Part of the Cost for Unemployment Insurance Unemployment Insurance Tax:

Often unemployed workers tell us that unemployment insurance is due them "because they have paid for it." In South Carolina, employees do not fund unemployment insurance through deductions from pay. Employers fund unemployment insurance through tax contributions.

Social Security Tax Don't confuse unemployment insurance with old age, survivors and disability insurance. The amount deducted from your wages as Social Security is your contribution to old-age, survivors and disability insurance. The employer contributes an equal amount, in addition to his payment of the full unemployment insurance tax.

If you have lost your job due to domestic violence, there is a possibility you may be eligible for unemployment insurance benefits.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION

SOUTH CAROLINA & FEDERAL LABOR LAW POSTER

IF YOU ARE INJURED ON THE JOB, YOU SHOULD:

1. Notify your employer at once. You can't receive benefits unless your employer knows

2. Tell the doctor your employer sends you to that you're covered by workers' compensation. 3. Notify the Workers' Compensation Provider listed on this poster or the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission at 803.737.5700 if you experience undue delays or problems with your claim.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION:

1. Pays 100% of your medical bills and some other expenses.

2. Compensates you for 66 2/3% of your salary, limited to the maximum wage set by law, if you are unable to work for more than seven calendar days.

WE ARE OPERATING UNDER AND SUBJECT TO THE SC WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT In case of accidental injury or death to an employee, the injured employee, or someone acting in his or her behalf, must give immediate notice to the employer or general authorized agent. Failure to give such immediate notice may be the cause of serious delay in the payment of compensation to the injured employee or his or her dependents and may result in failure to receive any compensation benefits under the law.



SC Workers' Compensation Commission PO Box 1715, Columbia, SC 29202-1715 803-737-5700 www.wcc.sc.gov

February 20, 2014

Workers' Compensation Provider Name, Mailing Address & Claims Telephone Number:

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It is against the law for this recipient of Federal financial assistance to discriminate on the following bases: against any individual in the United States, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth, and related medical conditions, sex stereotyping, transgender status, and gender identity), national origin (including limited English proficiency), age, disability, or political affiliation or belief, or, against any beneficiary of, applicant to, or participant in programs financially assisted under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, on the basis of the individual's citizenship status or participation in any WIOA Title I-financially assisted program or activity.

The recipient must not discriminate in any of the following areas: deciding who will be admitted, or have access, to any WIOA Title I-financially assisted program or activity; providing opportunities in, or treating any person with regard to, such a program or activity; or making employment decisions in the administration of, or in connection with, such a program or activity.

Recipients of federal financial assistance must take reasonable steps to ensure that communications with individuals with disabilities are as effective as communications with others. This means that, upon request and at no cost to the individual, recipients are required to provide appropriate auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED DISCRIMINATION

If you think that you have been subjected to discrimination under a WIOA Title I-financially assisted program or activity, you may file a complaint within 180 days from the date of the alleged violation with either: the recipient's Equal Opportunity Officer (or the person whom the recipient has designated for this purpose);

Stephani Frese, EO Officer, SCDEW, Post Office Box 908, Columbia SC 29202

Director, Civil Rights Center (CRC), U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N-4123, Washington, DC 20210 or electronically as directed on the CRC website at www.dol.gov/crc.

If you file your complaint with the recipient, you must wait either until the recipient issues a written Notice of Final Action, or until 90 days have passed (whichever is sooner), before filing with the Civil Rights Center (see address above). If the recipient does not give you a written Notice of Final Action within 90 days of the day on which you filed your complaint, you may file a complaint with CRC before receiving that Notice. However, you must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the 90-day deadline (in other words, within 120 days after the day on which you filed your complaint with the recipient). If the recipient does give you a written Notice of Final Action on your complaint, but you are dissatisfied with the decision or resolution, you may file a complaint with CRC. You must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the date on which you received the Notice of Final Action.

PAYDAY NOTICE

Regular Paydays for Employees of

Shall be as follows: Bi-Weekly Monthly

Other

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE

It is illegal to discriminate against work-authorized individuals. Employers CANNOT specify which document(s) they will accept from an employee. The refusal to hire an individual because the documents have a future expiration date may also constitute illegal discrimination. For information, please contact

The Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices Office at 800-255-7688.

WITHHOLDING STATUS

YOU MAY NEED TO CHECK YOUR WITHHOLDING Since you last filed form W-4 with your employer did See your employer for a copy of Form W-4 or call the IRS

Marry or divorce?

Gain or lose a dependent? · Change your name?

Were there major changes to...

• Your nonwage income (interest, dividends, capital gains,

• Your family wage income (you or your spouse started or ended a job)? Your itemized deductions? · Your tax credits?

If you can answer "YES"...

To any of these questions or you owed extra tax when you Department of the Treasury filed your last return, you may need to file a new form W-4. Internal Revenue Service www.irs.gov

(Rev. 8-2009) Cat. No. 11047P

Now is the time to check your withholding. For more

details, get Publication 919, How Do I Adjust My Tax

Withholding?, or use the Withholding Calculator at

Employer: Please post or publish this Bulletin Board Poster so that your employees will see it. Please indicate

where they can get forms and information on this subject.

www.irs.gov/individuals on the IRS web site.

FMLA - FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

at 1-800-829-3676.

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION **LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS** Eligible employees who work for

following reasons: • The birth of a child or placement of a child for adoption or foster care: • To bond with a child (leave must be taken within 1 year of the child's birth or placement); • To care for the employee's spouse, child, or parent who

a covered employer can take up to 12 weeks of unpaid,

job-protected leave in a 12-month period for the

has a qualifying serious health condition; For the employee's own qualifying serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the employee's job; For qualifying exigencies related to the foreign

deployment of a military member who is the employee's spouse, child, or parent. An eligible employee who is a covered servicemember's spouse, child, parent, or next of kin may also take up to 26

weeks of FMLA leave in a single 12-month period to care for the servicemember with a serious injury or illness. An employee does not need to use leave in one block. When it is medically necessary or otherwise permitted, employees may take leave intermittently or on a reduced schedule. Employees may choose, or an employer may require, use of accrued paid leave while taking FMLA leave. If an employee substitutes accrued paid leave for FMLA leave, the employee must comply with the employer's normal paid leave policies. BENEFITS & PROTECTIONS While employees are on FMLA leave, employers must continue health insurance coverage as if the employees were not on leave. Upon return from FMLA leave, most employees must be restored to the same job or one nearly identical to it with equivalent pay, benefits, and other employment terms and conditions. An employer may not interfere with an individual's FMLA rights or retaliate against someone for using or trying to use FMLA leave, opposing any practice made unlawful by the FMLA, or being

involved in any proceeding under or related to the FMLA. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS** An employee who works for a covered employer must meet three criteria in order to be eligible for FMLA leave. The employee must: Have worked for the employer for at least 12 months; • Have at least 1,250 hours of service in the 12 months before taking leave;* and Work at a location where the employer has at least 50

employees within 75 miles of the employee's worksite.

*Special "hours of service" requirements apply to airline flight crew employees. **REQUESTING LEAVE** Generally, employees must give

30-days' advance notice of the need for FMLA leave. If it is not possible to give 30-days' notice, an employee must notify the employer as soon as possible and, generally, follow the employer's usual procedures. Employees do not have to share a medical diagnosis, but must provide enough information to the employer so it can determine if the leave qualifies for FMLA protection. Sufficient information could include informing an employer that the employee is or will be unable to perform his or her job functions, that a family member cannot perform daily activities, or that hospitalization or continuing medical treatment is necessary. Employees must inform the employer if the need for leave is for a reason for which FMLA leave was previously taken or certified. Employers can require a certification or periodic recertification supporting the need for leave. If the employer determines that the certification is incomplete, it must provide a written notice indicating what additional information is required. **EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITIES** Once an employer becomes aware that an employee's need for leave is for a reason that may qualify under the FMLA, the employer must notify the employee if he or she is eligible for FMLA leave and, if eligible, must also provide a notice of rights and responsibilities under the FMLA. If the employee is not eligible, the employer must provide a reason for ineligibility. Employers must notify its employees if leave will be designated as FMLA leave, and if so, how much leave will be

designated as FMLA leave. **ENFORCEMENT** Employees may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, or may bring a private lawsuit against an employer. The FMLA does not affect any federal or state law prohibiting discrimination or supersede any state or local law or collective bargaining agreement that provides greater family or medical leave rights.



CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information, contact: ◆SC Dept. of Labor, Licensing and Regulations,

803-896-4380, <u>www.llronline.com</u> ◆SC Department of Employment and Workforce,

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803-737-2400, <u>www.dew.sc.gov</u>

SC Human Affairs Commission 803-737-7800, 1-800-521-0725, <u>www.schac.sc.gov</u> ◆SC Workers Compensation Commission, 803-737-5700, <u>www.wcc.sc.gov</u>

THIS NOTICE MUST BE POSTED CONSPICUOUSLY. August 2018

USERRA - UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT











YOUR RIGHTS UNDER USERRA

THE UNIFORMED SERVICES EMPLOYMENT AND REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS ACT

USERRA protects the job rights of individuals who voluntarily or involuntarily leave employment positions to undertake military service or certain types of service in the National Disaster Medical System. USERRA also prohibits employers from discriminating against past and present members of the uniformed services, and applicants to the uniformed services.

REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS

notice of your service;

You have the right to be reemployed in your civilian job if you leave that job to perform service in the uniformed service and: you ensure that your employer receives advance written or verbal

you have five years or less of cumulative service in the uniformed services while with that particular employer; you return to work or apply for reemployment in a timely manner after conclusion of service; and

you have not been separated from service with a disqualifying discharge or under other than honorable conditions. If you are eligible to be reemployed, you must be restored to the job and benefits you would have attained if you had not been absent due

to military service or, in some cases, a comparable job. RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION AND RETALIATION are a past or present member of the uniformed service; have applied for membership in the uniformed service; or

are obligated to serve in the uniformed service;

then an employer may not deny you:

for employees.

 promotion; or • any benefit of employment because of this status. In addition, an employer may not retaliate against anyone assisting in the enforcement of USERRA rights, including testifying or making a statement in connection with a proceeding under USERRA, even if

initial employment;reemployment;retention in employment;

HEALTH INSURANCE PROTECTION

• If you leave your job to perform military service, you have the right to elect to continue your existing employer-based health plan coverage for you and your dependents for up to 24 months while in the military.

• Even if you don't elect to continue coverage during your military service, you have the right to be reinstated in your employer's health plan when you are reemployed, generally without any waiting periods or exclusions (e.g., pre-existing condition exclusions) except for service-connected illnesses or injuries.

• The U.S. Department of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS) is authorized to investigate and resolve complaints of

USERRA violations. • For assistance in filing a complaint, or for any other information on USERRA, contact VETS at **1-866-4-USA-DOL** or visit its website at http://www.dol.gov/vets. An interactive online USERRA Advisor can be viewed at http://www.dol.gov/elaws/userra.htm. • If you file a complaint with VETS and VETS is unable to resolve it, you

may request that your case be referred to the Department of Justice

or the Office of Special Counsel, as applicable, for representation.

• You may also bypass the VETS process and bring a civil action

against an employer for violations of USERRA.

that person has no service connection. Publication Date — April 2017 The rights listed here may vary depending on the circumstances. The text of this notice was prepared by VETS, and may be viewed on the internet at this address: http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/userra/poster.htm. Federal law requires employers to notify employees of their rights under USERRA, and employers may meet this requirement by displaying the text of this notice where they customarily place notices

EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS EMPLOYEE POLYGRAPH PROTECTION ACT

employers from using lie detector tests either for preemployment screening or during the course of employment.

PROHIBITIONS Employers are generally prohibited from requiring or requesting any employee or job applicant to take a lie detector test, and from discharging, disciplining, or discriminating against an employee or prospective employee for refusing to take a test or for exercising other rights under the Act. **EXEMPTIONS** Federal, State and local governments are not affected

by the law. Also, the law does not apply to tests given by the Federal Government to certain private individuals engaged in national security-related activities. The Act permits polygraph (a kind of lie detector) tests to be administered in the private sector, subject to restrictions, to certain prospective employees of security service firms (armored car, alarm, and guard), and of pharmaceutical manufacturers, distributors and dispensers. The Act also permits polygraph testing, subject to restrictions, of certain employees of private firms who are reasonably suspected of involvement in a workplace incident (theft, embezzlement, etc.) that resulted in economic loss to the employer. The law does not preempt any

hibits most private provision of any State or local law or any collective bargaining agreement which is more restrictive with respect to lie detector tests. **EXAMINEE RIGHTS** Where polygraph tests are permitted, they are subject to numerous strict standards concerning the conduct and length of the test. Examinees have a number of specific rights, including the right to a written notice before testing, the right to refuse or discontinue a test, and the right not to have test results disclosed to unauthorized persons.

> restrain violations and assess civil penalties against violators. Employees or job applicants may also bring their own court actions. THE LAW REQUIRES EMPLOYERS TO DISPLAY THIS POSTER WHERE EMPLOYEES AND JOB APPLICANTS CAN READILY SEE IT. **WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION**

> > **UNITED STATES**

ENFORCEMENT The Secretary of Labor may bring court actions to





For details involving child labor provisions, please contact

the Office of Wages and Child Labor at the address and

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SC Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

The right to work of a person in South Carolina cannot

belongs - or does not belong - to a labor union. An

a worker's rights under these provisions is guilty of a

misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, must be punished

by imprisonment for not less than 10 days nor more than

30 days, a fine of not less than \$1,000 but not more than

organization, or other person is subject to a lawsuit by

The South Carolina Illegal Immigration and Reform Act

who is not legally in this country and authorized to work.

requires all employers to verify the legal status of new

employees and prohibits employment of any worker

After July 1, 2009, all businesses in South Carolina are

Homeland Security's E-Verify program and verify the

status of new employees within three business days,

\$10,000, or both. In addition, the employer, labor

the aggrieved worker. For more information call

be denied, interfered with, or abridged because the person

employer, labor organization, or other person who violates

contact the Office of Wages and Child Labor at:

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number listed below.

Phone: 803-896-4470

www.llronline.com

Right-to-Work

(803) 896-4470.

Immigrant Worker

Office of Wages and Child Labor

PO Box 11329, Columbia, SC 29211-1329

Payment of Wages Act When an employee is hired, the employer must notify the

employee in writing of: the wages agreed upon

the normal hours the employee will work

(7) calendar days before they become effective.

 the time and place wages will be paid the deductions an employer may make from wages, including insurance Changes to these terms must be in writing at least seven

Employers must pay employees all wages due each pay Employers must also give employees an itemized statement showing gross pay and all deductions made each pay period and maintain records of wages paid for three years. Employers who violate the Payment of Wages Act are subject to a civil penalty of \$100 for each violation. Employees can recover up to three times the full amount

of unpaid wages, costs, and attorney's fees in a civil action.

To report a suspected violation, or for recordkeeping or

other questions involving the Payment of Wages Act, or

to order a copy of the Payment of Wages Act, please

contact the Office of Wages and Child Labor at the address and number listed below.

No employer in this state shall engage in any oppressive child labor practices. Oppressive child labor includes employment of any minor in any occupation declared by the director of Labor, Licensing and Regulation to be particularly hazardous or detrimental to the health or wel being of minors. Oppressive child labor also includes employment of minors who are 14 or 15 years old under

- the following conditions: During school hours
- Before 7 a.m. or after 7 p.m. (9 p.m. during the period of summer break of the school district in which the
- minor resides)
- More than 18 hours during school weeks More than 3 hours on school days

More than 40 hours in non-school weeks

More than 8 hours on non-school days

- imputed a South Carolina employment license which
 - permits an employer to hire employees. The imputed employment license remains in effect as long as the business abides by the law. Effective January 1, 2012, all South Carolina employers are required to enroll in the U.S. Department of

using E-Verify. Failure to use E-Verify to verify new hires will result in probation for the employer or suspension/ revocation of the employer's business licenses.

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OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTECTION

SAFETY AND HEALTH PROTECTION ON THE JOB

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Under the South Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Act, the state is responsible for the enforcement of occupational safety and health standards in all workplaces, both public and private, within South Carolina. However, longshoring, shipbuilding, ship repairing and shipbreaking operations covered by the Longshoremen and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, as amended, remain under federal jurisdiction.

EMPLOYERS: Each employer shall furnish to employees employment and a place of employment which are free from recognized hazards that are causing, or likely to cause, death or physical harm to his employees, and shall comply with occupational safety and health standards promulgated by the Director of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR). Employers must report to OSHA all work-related fatalities within 8 hours, and all inpatient hospitalizations, amputations, and losses of an eye within 24 hours. Reporting may be accomplished by telephone at (803) 896-7672 or in person at 121 Executive

Each employee shall comply with occupational safety and health standards and all rules, regulations and orders issued by the director of Labor, Licensing and Regulation which are applicable to his own actions and conduct.

Any employee or representative may request an inspection

and filing information may be found on our website or will

of place or site of employment. Any employee may file a

complaint, either verbally or in writing. Complaint forms

Center Drive, Suite 230, Columbia, SC 29211.

be provided, upon request, by the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. Employers and employees have the right to participate in inspections by means of bringing to the attention of the inspecting officer possible violations which exist in their area of work and the right to participate in the walk-around

inspection. The inspecting officer shall have the right to

determine the number of persons participating in the

Under state law, when the authorized representative of the employees accompanies the inspecting officer during a walk-around inspection, he shall not suffer any loss of wages or other benefits which would normally accrue to him. Where there is no authorized representative, the

inspecting officer will consult with a reasonable number of employees concerning matters of safety and health in the workplace.

DISCRIMINATION: State and federal laws prohibit discrimination against any

walkaround inspection.

employee if he files a complaint or causes any proceeding under or related to this Act or is about to testify in any such proceedings or because of the exercise by any employee on

behalf of himself or others of any right afforded under state and federal law. The director of Labor, Licensing and Regulation or the nearest federal OSHA offices must be notified within thirty (30) days after such discriminatory act occurs. State and local government employees should file such complaints with the director of SC Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. A public sector employee believing that he has been discharged or otherwise discriminated against by any person in violation of Section 41-15-510 may proceed with a civil action pursuant to the provisions contained in Chapter 27, Title 8.

Citations listing the alleged violations during an inspection will be mailed to the employer with reasonable promptness. State law requires such citations be promptly posted at appropriate places for employee information for three days, or until the violations are corrected, whichever is later, to warn employees of dangers that may exist.

PENALTIES: An employer may be assessed a penalty up to \$7,000

dollars for a non-serious violation.

imprisonment or both.

An employer who receives a citation for a serious violation may be assessed a penalty up to \$7,000 dollars for each such violation.

Any employer who willfully violates an occupational

safety and health rule or regulation may be assessed a

penalty not more than \$70,000 for each violation. Any employer who willfully violates an occupational safety and health rule or regulation and the violation causes death to an employee shall be deemed guilty of a

misdemeanor and, upon conviction, be punished by fine,

For more information, contact: South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Office of OSHA Compliance PO Box 11329, Columbia, SC 29211-1329

803-896-7665, http://www.scosha.llronline.com/

Under a plan approved November 30, 1972 by the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the State of South Carolina is providing job safety and health protection for workers throughout the State. Federal OSHA will monitor the operation of this plan to assure that continued approval is merited. Any person may make a complaint regarding the state administration of this plan directly to the Regional Office of OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, 61 Forsyth Street SW, Room 6T50, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

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