FY 2011 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET JUSTIFICATION EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION State Paid Leave Fund

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APPROPRIATION LANGUAGE

For grants to assist in the start-up of new paid leave programs in the States, \$50,000,000, of which the Secretary may reserve not more than 1 percent for administration related to such grants.

EXPLANATION OF LANGUAGE CHANGE

This is a new appropriation. Under this new initiative, grants would assist states in planning and start-up activities relating to paid leave programs.

AMOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR OBLIGATION										
(Dollars in Thousands)										
	F	FY 2009 Reco			overy FY 2010			FY 2011		
	E	Enacted		Act		Enacted		Request		
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount		
A. Appropriation	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0		
Other Supplementals and										
Rescissions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Appropriation, Revised	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000		
Subtotal Appropriation	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000		
Comparative Transfer To:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Comparative Transfer From:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Offsetting Collections From:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Reimbursements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Advances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Subtotal Offsetting Collections										
From:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
B. Gross Budget Authority	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000		
Offsetting Collections	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Deduction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Reimbursements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Advances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Subtotal Offsetting Collections	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
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C. Budget Authority	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000		
Before Committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000		
Legislative Proposal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Offsetting Collections From:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Reimbursements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Advances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Adjustment for Appropriated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Subtotal Budget Authority	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50,000		
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D. Total Budgetary Resources	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000		
Other Unobligated Balances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Unobligated Balance Expiring	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
E. Total, Estimated Obligations	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000		

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

(Dollars in Thousands)

		2010 acted	FY 2011 Request			Net Change		
Budget Authority			0		7 0.0			7 0.000
General Funds Trust Funds			0 0		50,0	000		+50,000
Total			0		50,0			+50,000
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Full Time Equivalents			0					4
General Funds			0			4		+4
Trust Funds Total			0			4		<u>0</u> +4
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						11 Change		
Explanation of Change	FY 201	10 Base	Trust	Funds	Gener	al Funds	1	otal
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
Increases: A. Built-Ins: To Provide For:								
Built-Ins Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B. Program:								
New Appropriation		0	0	0	4	50,000	4	50,000
Programs Subtotal			0	0	+4	+50,000	+4	+50,000
C. Financing:								
Total Increase	0	0	0	0	+4	+50,000	+4	+50,000
Decreases: A. Built-Ins: To Provide For:								
Built-Ins Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B. Program:C. Financing:								
Total Change	0	0	0	0	+4	+50,000	+4	+50,000

SUMMARY BUDGET AUTHORITY AND FTE BY ACTIVITY (Dollars in Thousands)								
	F	Y 2009	R	ecovery	F	Y 2010	FY 2011	
	E	Enacted		Act	E	nacted	R	equest
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
State Paid Leave Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000
General Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000
Operations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49,500
General Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49,500
Administration	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	500
General Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	500
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000
General Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	50,000

	BUDGET AUTHORITY BY OBJECT CLASS (Dollars in Thousands)									
	FY 2009 Recovery FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 11 Req. Enacted Act Enacted Request FY 10 Enacted									
	Full-Time Equivalent									
11.3	Other personnel compensation	0	0	0	500	500				
11.9	Total personnel compensation	0	0	0	500	500				
	Grants, subsidies, and									
41.0	contributions	0	0	0	49,500	49500				
	Total	0	0	0	50,000	50,000				
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BUDGET AUTHORITY BEFORE THE COMMITTEE (Dollars in Thousands)								
	FY 2009	Recovery	FY 2010	FY 2011	Diff. FY 11 Req. /			
	Enacted	Act	Enacted	Request	FY 10 Enacted			
Activity Appropriation	0	0	0	50,000	50,000			
FTE	0	0	0	4	4			

Introduction

Workforce and workplace changes have made it increasingly difficult for working families to meet their work and family responsibilities. The vast majority of American workers have family caregiving responsibilities outside of work and no full-time caregiver at home. The Sloan Work and Family Research Network reports the following:

- A full 70% of American working families with children have all adults in the labor force;
- Some 25% of workers have elder-care responsibilities and this number is expected to reach 40% by 2020; and
- The average American couple now works close to a combined 90 hours a week, resulting in diminished time to handle family responsibilities.

Nearly 40 percent of private-sector workers do not have paid sick leave to care for themselves, and even fewer have leave available to care for another family member when they are ill. Millions of workers risk losing pay and or their jobs when they are sick or their children are sick. In spite of the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) which recommends that if individuals have a fever and are sick or their children are sick, they should not go to work, many workers have no choice but to go to work. This presents a major public health concern and some studies suggest that it costs U.S. businesses billions of dollars annually.

In addition, at a time when a one-income family is a luxury few can afford, changes in family circumstances - whether it's the birth of a new child or the serious illness of an older relative - put greater stress on the economic security of families than ever before. Today, 64% of mothers of young children work outside the home.

Five-Year Budget Activity History

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Funding</u>	FTE
	(Dollars in Thousands)	
2006	0	0
2007	0	0
2008	0	0
2009	0	0
2010	0	0

FY 2011

The Budget requests \$50,000,000 for the State Paid Leave Fund, which is a new initiative. Of this amount, one percent (\$500,000) and 4 FTE are requested for Federal administration of the program.

The State Paid Leave Fund will provide grants to assist states to establish paid leave programs. Currently, California, Washington, and New Jersey offer such programs, which are called family leave insurance. Typically, the programs offer up to six weeks of benefits to workers who must take time off to care for a seriously ill child, spouse, or parent, or bond with a newborn or recently adopted child. In doing so, the programs may enhance job retention for many workers or help workers stay on their career paths.

Under this new initiative, grants would assist other states in planning and start-up activities relating to paid leave programs. The Department will develop this grant program based on the information available from established family leave insurance programs. Planning activities will include designing a program, establishing protocol for legislation to withhold taxable wages, defining family eligibility and benefits requirements, and articulating start-up activities.

	BUDGET ACTIVITY by OBJECT CLASS (Dollars in Thousands)								
FY 2009 Recovery FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 10 Enacted Act Enacted Request Enacted									
11.3	Other personnel compensation	0	0	0	500	500			
11.9	Total personnel compensation	0	0	0	500	500			
41.0	Grants, subsidies, and contributions	0	0	0	49,500	49,500			
	Total	0	0	0	50,000	50,000			

CHANGES IN FY 2011

(Dollars in Thousands)

Activity Changes
Built-In
To Provide For:
Built-Ins Subtotal

\$0

Net Program 50,000

Estimate FTE

Program Increase 50,000 4