

<b>TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT NOTICE</b>	<b>NO.</b> 5-18
	<b>DATE</b> August 31, 2018

**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

**FROM:** ROSEMARY LAHASKY /s/  
Deputy Assistant Secretary

**SUBJECT:** *Significant Provisions of State Unemployment Insurance Laws*, effective July 2018

1. **Purpose.** To announce the release and availability of the *Significant Provisions of State Unemployment Insurance Laws*, effective July 2018.
2. **Action Requested.** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) requests the State Workforce Agencies make sure all appropriate staff members are aware of the release of this publication and are aware of its location on the ETA website.
3. **Summary and Background.**
  - a. Summary – The U.S. Department of Labor publishes biannual editions of the *Significant Provisions of State Unemployment Insurance Laws* that provide key program data on unemployment insurance benefits and taxes in the states.
  - b. Background – The July 2018 edition has been finalized. This publication provides information on each state’s wage requirements for unemployment insurance benefit eligibility, computation and amount of the weekly benefit, number of allowable benefit weeks, and the amount of earnings that will be disregarded for those individuals who are working part-time. It also provides information on the size of employer payroll required to pay unemployment taxes, the amount of wages subject to unemployment taxes, and the tax rates specific to each state’s program.

The *Significant Provisions of State Unemployment Insurance Laws* publication is available online at <https://oui.doleta.gov/unemploy/statelaws.asp>.

4. **Inquiries.** Comments concerning this publication should be addressed to Julie Balster at 202-693-3615 or at [balster.julie@dol.gov](mailto:balster.julie@dol.gov); or John Schuettinger at 202-693-2680 or [schuettinger.john@dol.gov](mailto:schuettinger.john@dol.gov). Comments can also be mailed to any of the above at the following address: U.S. Department of Labor; 200 Constitution Avenue NW; OUI/Division of Legislation; Room S-4524; Washington, D.C. 20210.