

Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council

Meeting Agenda

September 16, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

The public may attend by teleconference:

Phone: 415-655-0003 or 855-282-6330 (toll free) or [WebEx](#)
Meeting Number (Access Code): 1457 55 2705 Meeting Password: DWD1

Meeting Materials: <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/uibola/uiac/meetings.htm>

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes of the August 17, 2021 Council Meeting
3. Department Update
4. Trust Fund Update
5. Program Integrity Assessment
6. Legislation Update
 - Legalizing recreational marijuana ([SB545](#))
 - Eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits in the case of an unwillingness to receive the COVID-19 vaccine ([AB452](#) / [SB547](#))
7. Rulemaking Update
 - [Emergency Rule 2108](#), DWD Ch. 113 (Eff. 3/1/21 – 9/26/21)
 - Waiving interest in limited circumstances for employers subject to reimbursement financing when reimbursements are delinquent due to COVID-19.
 - [Emergency Rule 2112](#), DWD Ch. 123 (Eff. 5/6/21 – 10/2/21)
 - Benefit charges for initial claims related to the public health emergency declared by Executive Order 72.
 - [Emergency Rule 2118](#), DWD Ch. 102 (Eff. 6/29/21 – 11/25/21)
 - Employer contribution rates for 2022.
 - Proposed Emergency Rule, DWD Ch. 102, 113, and 123
 - Protecting Wisconsin employers from the adverse financial effects of COVID-19
8. Preliminary draft of UIAC agreed-upon bill

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9. Department proposals for the Wisconsin Unemployment Insurance Law

- D21-09: Employee Status Clarification
- D21-10: SUTA Dumping Penalties
- D21-12: Department Flexibility for Federal Funding
- D21-13: Construction Employer Initial Contribution Rates
- D21-14: DWD 140 - Permanent Rule Scope
- D21-16: Repeal Pre-employment & Occupational Drug Testing
- D21-17: Repeal Substantial Fault
- D21-18: Amend Quit Exception for Relocating Spouses
- D21-19: Repeal the Waiting Week
- D21-20: Repeal Statutory Work Search & Registration Waivers
- D21-21: Repeal Wage Threshold for Receipt of Benefits
- D21-22: Increase Maximum Weekly Benefit Rate
- D21-23: Flexibility for Finding Suitable Work
- D21-24: Amend SSDI Disqualification
- D21-25: Electronic Communications and Filing
- D21-26: Amend Worker Classification Penalties

10. Labor Proposals for the Unemployment Insurance Law

- L21-01: Gradually Transition to AHCM Tax Schedule Triggers
- L21-02: Gradually Increase the Maximum WBR to \$450/week
- L21-03: Eliminate the 1-week Waiting Period
- L21-04: Expand Worker Misclassification Penalties
- L21-05: DWD Trust Fund Study

11. Management Proposals for the Unemployment Insurance Law

- M21-01: UI Computer Upgrade
- M21-02: Union Referral Service Work Search Criteria
- M21-03: Definition of Employee vs. Independent Contractor
- M21-04: Quit Good Cause Revision
- M21-05: Link Benefit Eligibility Weeks to Unemployment Rate
- M21-06: Clarify Definitions/Grounds for Misconduct and Sub. Fault

12. Research Requests

13. Future Meeting Dates: October 21, 2021; November 18, 2021; Dec. 16, 2021

14. Adjourn

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