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****TWO NEW TAX BENEFITS AID EMPLOYERS WHO HIRE & RETAIN UNEMPLOYED WORKERS****

TWO NEW TAX BENEFITS ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYERS HIRING WORKERS WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY UNEMPLOYED OR ONLY WORKING PART TIME. (HIRE) ACT

EMPLOYERS WHO HIRE UNEMPLOYED WORKERS THIS YEAR (AFTER FEB. 3, 2010 AND BEFORE JAN. 1, 2011) MAY QUALIFY FOR A 6.2% PAYROLL TAX INCENTIVE, IN EFFECT EXEMPTING THEM FROM THEIR SHARE OF SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES ON WAGES PAID TO THESE WORKERS AFTER MARCH 18, 2010. THIS REDUCED TAX WITHHOLDING WILL HAVE NO EFFECT ON THE EMPLOYEE'S FUTURE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS, AND EMPLOYERS WOULD STILL NEED TO WITHHOLD THE EMPLOYEE'S 6.2% SHARE OF SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES, AS WELL AS INCOME TAXES.

THE HIRE ACT REQUIRES THAT EMPLOYERS GET A SIGNED STATEMENT FROM EACH ELIGIBLE NEW HIRE, CERTIFYING UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, THAT HE OR SHE WAS NOT EMPLOYED FOR MORE THAN 40 HOURS DURING THE 60 DAYS BEFORE BEGINNING EMPLOYMENT WITH THAT EMPLOYER. (FORM W11)

IN ADDITION, FOR EACH WORKER RETAINED FOR AT LEAST A YEAR, BUSINESS MAY CLAIM AN ADDITIONAL GENERAL BUSINESS TAX CREDIT, UP TO \$1000. PER WORKER, WHEN THEY FILE THEIR 2011 INCOME TAX RETURNS.

PLEASE CONTACT THE PAYROLL DEPT.

WHERE TAXPAYERS BECOME TAXSAVERS