

# Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (PFMLI) Rulemaking Advisory Committee September 29, 2021

9 AM to 12 PM

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### Welcome!

- Purpose of today: Agency to receive input on Batch 1 draft rules for PFMLI and fiscal impact statements before beginning formal rule process with SOS.
- Please use the chat section for access issues.
- If time allows, we will hear public comments at the end of the meeting.
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  - Or, email your questions/comments to: <u>OED\_Rules@Oregon.gov</u>
- No UI or PUA benefit questions addressed today.
- This meeting is being recorded and will be retained as part of the rulemaking record.



# **PFMLI Rulemaking Advisory Committee**

- Representing Employees:
  - Linda Herrera, Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste (PCUN)
  - Andrea Paluso, Family Forward Oregon
  - Eva Rippeteau, Oregon American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
  - Catie Theisen substitute for Jessica Giannettino Villatoro, Oregon American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO)
- Representing Employers:
  - Amanda Dalton, Dalton Advocacy, Inc.
  - Jenny Dresler, Public Affairs Counsel
  - Eric Hunter, CareOregon
  - Paloma Sparks, Oregon Business & Industry



### **Proposed PFMLI Administrative Rules**

Batch	Description	Tentative Timeline
1	Contributions Equivalent Plans (application, requirements, and termination) Self-employed Election (application, requirements, and termination) Employer Size, Assistance Grants Outreach rule	January 1, 2022
2	Equivalent Plans (simultaneous coverage, appeals, benefits)	April 1, 2022
3	Benefits Self-employed (benefits) Tribal Governments (application, requirements, benefits)	June 1, 2022
4	Appeals: Adoption of Attorney General model rules and all others	August 1, 2022
5	Miscellaneous: any addition rules identified Definition rules (consolidate, as needed)	September 1, 2022



### **Batch 1 Rule Notices**

- 1.1 Contributions
- 1.2 Small Employers/Assistance Grants
- 1.3 Equivalent Plans
- 1.4 Self-Employed Individuals
- 1.5 Outreach



# 1.1 – Contributions (part 1)

### Wages

- Bonuses, Fees, and Prizes
- Cafeteria Plans
- Corporate Officer and Shareholder Dividends
- Disability Payments and Accident Compensation
- Gifts

- Incidental Expenses
- Jury Pay
- Pensions
- Remuneration Other than Cash
- Remuneration Types



# 1.1 – Contributions (part 2)

- Contributions
  - Definitions
  - Method for Determining Contribution Rate and Maximum
     Wage Amount
  - Maximum Wage Amount
  - Wage Reporting and Contribution Payments
  - Application of Payments
  - Deposit, Bond, or Letter of Credit



## 1.1 – Contributions (part 3)

- One-Percent Penalty
- Good Cause for Failure to File Reports or Pay Contributions
- Compromise of Amount Due
- Continuous Jurisdiction



### **Contributions: Statement of Need**

- Fiscal and Economic Impact
- Small Business Impact
- Racial Equity Impact



## 1.2 – Small Employers/Assistance Grants

- Employer Size
  - Definitions
  - Method to Determine Number of Employees Employed by an Employer
- Assistance Grants
  - Eligibility
  - Application Requirements

- Employer Contributions
- Repayment of Grants



# Small Employers/Assistance Grants: Statement of Need

- Fiscal and Economic Impact
- Small Business Impact
- Racial Equity Impact



### 1.3 – Equivalent Plans

- Definitions
- Application Requirements and Effective Date
- Plan Requirements
- Recordkeeping and Department Review
- Termination by the Department
- Termination by Successor in Interest
- Employer Withdrawal



## **Equivalent Plans: Statement of Need**

- Fiscal and Economic Impact
- Small Business Impact
- Racial Equity Impact



### 1.4 – Self-Employed Individuals

- **Eligibility**
- Election Requirements and Effective Date
- Contribution Payments and Reporting Requirements
- Termination



## 1.4 – Self-Employed Individuals

- Fiscal and Economic Impact
- Small Business Impact
- Racial Equity Impact



### 1.5 - Outreach

• Outreach Plan



### **Outreach: Statement of Need**

- Fiscal and Economic Impact
- Small Business Impact
- Racial Equity Impact



### **Public Comments**

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# **PFMLI Formal Rulemaking**

Batch 1 – Notice of Public Rulemaking:

Published in the Oregon Bulletin: November 1, 2021

- Public Hearings: Mid-December 2021
- OED Rules webpage is the official formal rulemaking page:

www.oregon.gov/employ/Agency/Pages/OED%20Administrative%20Rules.aspx

PFMLI webpage:

www.oregon.gov/employ/PFMLI/Pages/default.aspx

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# Thank you



