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BOLI announces statewide sick time and minimum wage-related seminars for employers

New seminars will help employers navigate updates to employment law

PORTLAND, OR—The Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) today announced a series of seminars focused on updates to sick time, minimum wage and other employment laws so that employers can understand and comply with new workplace protections.

Starting in July, compliance experts with the agency’s Technical Assistance for Employers program will offer the low-cost sessions throughout the state. Interested businesses may reserve spots for the \$35 sessions [online](#).

Employment Law Update: Includes sick leave, minimum wage and new employment laws		
July 6	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Portland
July 18	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Portland
Aug. 24	1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Portland
Sept. 15	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Salem
Sept. 21	1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Medford
Sept. 22	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Eugene
Sept. 26	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Ontario
Sept. 27	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	The Dalles
Sept. 29	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Pendleton
Sept. 29	1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Bend
Oct. 3	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Coos Bay
Oct. 4	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Florence
Oct. 5	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Lincoln City
Oct. 6	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Tillamook
Oct. 7	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Astoria
Oct. 12	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Grants Pass
Oct. 13	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Klamath Falls
Oct. 20	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Roseburg
Oct. 24	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Portland
Nov. 10	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Eugene

"Oregon’s sick time law supports hundreds of thousands of workers who previously didn’t have access to any paid time off when they’re ill or caring for a sick child or spouse," said Labor Commissioner Avakian. "These seminars will help employers navigate new laws such as sick time and Oregon’s minimum wage increase so that they can understand and stay in compliance with new workplace protections."

The seminars will also cover the U.S. Department of Labor's updated overtime requirements.

BOLI anticipates publishing new minimum wage rules related to [SB 1532](#) on Wednesday, June 15th. Final rules for Oregon sick time can be found online [here](#).

In addition to the employment law update seminars, other upcoming sessions will include information about:

- Dealing with a difficult employee
- Developing an employee handbook
- Legal hiring practices
- Workplace accommodations
- Workplace drug and alcohol issues
- Workplace harassment and discrimination
- Beginning and advanced leave laws in Oregon
- Documentation, discipline and discharge
- Effective supervisory practices
- Recordkeeping requirements
- Wage and Hour laws
- Employee supervision
- New supervisor training series (starting on July 13th in Portland and September 7th in Medford).

Interested businesses can access the Technical Assistance for Employers seminar registration and [schedule online](#).

Employers can also contact the agency's Technical Assistance for Employers hotline with sick time, minimum wage or other employment questions at (971) 673-0824.

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