TO: ALL STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

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SUBJECT: Release and Availability of Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws 2008

1. Purpose. To announce the release and availability of Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws 2008.

2. Background. Each year, the Department of Labor publishes a new edition of Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws to reflect recent changes to state laws and new areas of interest.

3. Publication Description. This publication provides in-depth information on key aspects of state unemployment insurance programs such as coverage, financing, monetary entitlement, extensions and special programs, nonmonetary eligibility, overpayments, and appeals. It also provides an overview of the temporary disability programs operated in six states.

Five copies of Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws are mailed to the administrator of each state workforce agency. Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws can be found on the Office of Workforce Security’s web site at: http://www.ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/laws.asp. A limited number of copies are also available.

4. Inquiries. Comments or requests for a copy of this publication should be sent to Loryn Lancaster at 202-693-2994 or at lancaster.loryn@dol.gov, or to Daniel L. Hays at 202-693-3011 or at hays.daniel@dol.gov. Comments and requests can also be mailed to either of the above at the following address: U.S. Department of Labor; Employment and Training Administration; OWS/DL; Room S-4231; Washington, D.C. 20210.