



DLIR WISH LIST FOR CARES ACT EXTENSION

Item	Description
Merit Staffing	Extending flexibility to allow non-merit staffing (permits DLIR to hire vendors to perform UI functions like the call center & adjudicators)
Loan Forgiveness	Forgiving loans to DLIR to pay for UI benefits & avoiding significant increases in employer taxes and assessments
FPUC, PUA, PEUC	Extending existing programs as is as they are already programmed & operational, any changes will create delays in distributing benefits
Flexibility	Continuing flexibility regarding work search, waiting week, good cause and employer experience rating
Waiting Week	Extending 100% federal funding for first week of benefits
Extended Benefits	Extending 100% of federal funding for EB to lower the impact on employer taxes and assessments
LWA	Waiver of interest, penalty and administrative fees for the FEMA Lost Wages Assistance program

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Reimbursable Employers	Extending 50% federal funding for non-profits, local and state government of UI benefits and increasing to 100% federal funding
Federal Requirements	No new reporting requirements so the DLIR can focus on providing benefits and not create new burdens on the program
PUA, LWA Waivers	HRS § 383-44 permits waiving of overpayment of benefits if, “received without fault on the part of the claimant and its recovery would be against equity & good conscience” to allow waivers for PUA and LWA benefit recipients
PUA Flexibility	Allow claimants PUA claims if their main source of income was self-employment instead of significantly reduced regular benefits
Admin Funding	Another \$1B grant to the states for staffing, technology, anti-fraud measures and other costs to operate state and federal programs