DATE: May 12, 2015
TO: Regional Workforce Board Executive Directors
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SUBJECT: Process for Reporting Performance under Waivers Granted in the Workforce Investment Act (WIA)

BACKGROUND
The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) contains authority for the Secretary of the United States Department of Labor (USDOL) to grant waivers of certain statutory and regulatory provisions of WIA and the Wagner-Peyser (WP) law. Waivers are granted in exchange for improved programmatic outcomes. Over the years, Florida has requested and received approval for numerous waivers. Currently, the state has 10 waivers approved for the program year that will end June 30, 2015.

PURPOSE
The purpose of this process is to establish a uniform means for regional workforce boards to report the use of approved waivers in their program operations and report the effect of the waivers on performance outcomes.

ACTION REQUIRED
Regional Workforce Boards must provide a report on the use of approved waivers and their effect on performance outcomes to the Department of Economic Opportunity within 45 days after the end of the program year. The report shall follow the format described below:

I. Identification of the Regional Workforce Board
II. An identification of the approved waivers used by the Regional Workforce Board
III. A description of the effects of the waiver(s) on local program operations and local strategic goals.
IV. Other comments

AUTHORITY
United States Department of Labor