

Workforce Investment Act Waiver Request Template Required Statewide Activities

To submit a waiver request, e-mail this completed form (or state-developed form) along with a cover letter to WIA.Plan@dol.gov and the appropriate ETA regional administrator.

ETA will also accept hard copy submissions with an original signature sent to the Federal Coordinator for Plan Review and Approval and to the appropriate ETA Regional Administrator. The address for the Federal Coordinator is as follows:

Division of Workforce System Support
Employment and Training Administration
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Ave., NW, Room S-4231
Washington, DC 20210
ATTN: Federal Coordinator for Plan Review and Approval

Date: November 18, 2011

State: Nebraska

Agency: Department of Labor

Statutory and/or regulatory requirements to be waived

Select which of the below waivers the state is seeking.

Yes - Waiver of WIA Section 134(a)(2)(B)(ii) and 20 CFR 665.200(d) requiring the conduct of evaluations of workforce investment activities for adults, dislocated workers, and youth.

Yes - Waiver of WIA Section 134(a)(2)(B)(iii) and 20 CFR 665.200(e) requiring provision of incentive grants to local areas.

Yes - Waiver of 20 CFR 665.200(b)(3) requiring dissemination of training provider performance and cost information.

Actions undertaken to remove state or local barriers

There are no state or local barriers.

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Goals and expected programmatic outcomes of waiver

The reduction to five percent in the WIA allotment for Program Year 2011 Governor's Reserve funds restricts the state's ability to effectively fund and carry out all of the required statewide workforce investment activities. The current funding level in the Governor's Reserve is insufficient to cover the cost of evaluations, incentive grants to local areas, dissemination of training provider performance and cost information. The state's reduced funds are being used to cover the following required activities:

- Administration by the State of the WIA program;
- Disseminate the State list of eligible providers of training services;
- Operate a fiscal and management information system (MIS);
- Provide technical assistance to local areas; and
- Submitting required reports.

Our goal in seeking this waiver is to ensure that the state may prioritize the use of Governor's Reserve funds for the required activities we deem most essential to the basic functions of the workforce investment system.

Individuals impacted by the waiver

This waiver will provide the state agency with more flexibility in directing Governor's Reserve funds to those activities that best preserve basic functions of the statewide workforce investment system.

Process for monitoring progress in implementation

The State will monitor progress and ensure accountability for Federal funds in connection with these waivers by reviewing monthly expenditure, performance and other reports, through regular contact with the ETA Regional Office liaisons, and through its monitoring and performance accountability system.

Notice to affected local boards

Discussion of this waiver was held at the November 2, 2011, Local Area WIA Administrators meeting. At the request of the local area representatives, a summary outlining the waivers under consideration by the State was provided on November 10, 2011. The local area administrators plan to provide the summary information to their local boards and notify the State of comments.

Public Comment

Public comment on the State's request for this waiver has been encouraged. This proposed waiver request was posted on the State's official website at www.dol.nebraska.gov for comment. Although no comments or concerns have been received, the State shall keep our Regional Office aware of comments that are received at a later date.

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