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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT



Teamsters Support U.S. Labor Department Appeal of Injunction of Overtime Rule

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Official Statement of Teamsters General President James P. Hoffa

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(WASHINGTON) – The following is the official statement of Teamsters General President James P. Hoffa on the report that the U.S. Department of Justice today filed an appeal of the permanent injunction against the implementation of an overtime rule finalized during the Obama administration on behalf of the U.S. Labor Department.

"With today's appeal, critical and long overdue reforms to the Labor Department's overtime regulations that were issued in 2016 have a chance

to move forward," Hoffa said. "It is our hope that the Labor Department will win this appeal and enforce the updated overtime regulation. Millions of workers would benefit from these reforms."

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Department of Labor Provides Update on Overtime

WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. Department of Labor today announced plans to undertake new rulemaking with regard to overtime.

On July 26, 2017, the Department of Labor published a Request for Information (RFI) regarding the Overtime Final Rule, which was published on May 23, 2016, asking for public input on what changes

the Department should propose. That comment period has ended and the Department is reviewing those submissions.

On August 31, 2017, U.S. District Court Judge Amos Mazzant granted summary judgment against the Department of Labor in consolidated cases challenging the Overtime Final Rule. The court held that the Final Rule's salary level exceeded the Department's authority, and concluded that the Final Rule is invalid.

On October 30, 2017, the Department of Justice, on behalf of the Department of Labor, filed a notice to appeal this decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Once this appeal is docketed, the Department of Justice will file a motion with the Fifth Circuit to hold the appeal in abeyance while the Department of Labor undertakes further rulemaking to determine what the salary level should be.

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