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TO: The Honorable Senate Special Committee on COVID-19  
Hawaii State Senate

CC: The Honorable Ronald Kouchi, President  
Hawaii State Senate

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SUBJECT: Response to Letter Dated August 13, 2020

Below are the DLIR's responses to the questions in the letter dated August 13, 2020.

1. FPUC (Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation) aka \$600 plus-up

Under Section 2104(e) of the CARES Act, FPUC is payable in a state for weeks of unemployment beginning after the date on which the state enters into an agreement with the Department and ending with weeks of unemployment ending on or before July 31, 2020.

Accordingly, in Hawaii where the week of unemployment ends on a Saturday, the last week that FPUC is payable is the week ending July 25, 2020.

2. PUA (Pandemic Unemployment Assistance)

PUA is payable for weeks of unemployment, partial unemployment, or inability to work caused by the COVID-19 related reasons beginning on or after January 27, 2020. In Hawaii where the weeks of unemployment ends on a Saturday, the first week for which PUA may be paid is the week ending February 8, 2020. PUA is not payable for any week of unemployment ending after December 31, 2020.

Accordingly, in Hawaii where the week of unemployment ends on a Saturday, the last week that PUA may be paid is the week ending December 26, 2020.