

MassWorkforce Issuance

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☐ Policy ☒ Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Investment Board Chairs
Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Associate Directors
DCS Field Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: David W. Mackley, Director
Department of Workforce Development

Date: January 7, 2008

Subject: **Massachusetts Minimum Wage Increase**

Purpose: To inform Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce investment partners of the increase in the Massachusetts Minimum Wage amount

Background: Effective January 1, 2008, the Commonwealth's minimum wage increased from \$7.50 to \$8.00 per hour. The change was initially announced in MassWorkforce Issuance No. 06-53, Massachusetts Minimum Wage Increase (8/11/2006). Although the Federal minimum wage is currently \$6.55 per hour and is scheduled to increase to \$7.25 per hour on July 24, 2008, Massachusetts employers must comply with the higher state minimum wage level.

Action

Required: Please assure that all appropriate staff are informed of the content of this issuance.