NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE-MAKING AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Arkansas Department of Labor has issued an emergency regulation amending Rule 2.402 of the Child Labor Regulations of the Labor Standards Division. This regulation relates to hours and rest time of children employed in the entertainment industry. The emergency regulation will be effective September 6, 2011, and will remain in effect for 120 days. The agency anticipates that it will be replaced by a permanent regulation addressing the same issues.

The purpose of the regulation is to address the number of hours that child performers ages 6-16 may work per day, as well as the time range in which they can be required to be at the worksite without prior approval of the Department of Labor. The hours are expanded from the current regulation.

A public hearing will be held regarding the emergency regulation on **Thursday, August 25, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the offices of the Department of Labor, 10421 West Markham Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205 in Room 305.** Written comment will be accepted through 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 25, 2011, by the Department of Labor at the preceding address. A copy of the emergency regulation may be obtained from the Labor Standards Division of the Arkansas Department of Labor by calling (501) 682-4501, or by accessing it on the agency's website at: www.arkansas.gov/labor/

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