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Registration Opens for 28th Annual Employment Law Conference

Early-bird price valid through November 9

PORTLAND- Oregon's Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI), home of the state's Technical Assistance for Employers Program (TA), has opened registration for the state's premier employer training event with a special early-bird registration price of \$439 for the complete two-day package. This year's conference, set for November 29-30 at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, will feature 22 different seminars on a wide range of topics that employers have most requested. TA regularly touts the Conference, especially at the discounted, early registration price, as the #1 value available for an employer's training dollar.

"Our conference agenda is driven by what local employers are telling us they want and need to be successful," said Jennifer Germundson, TA Program Manager and coordinator of the annual event for six years. "Each of our seminars is led by an expert presenter from BOLI or one of Oregon's leading employment law attorneys—this is a star-studded line-up of employment law professionals from around the state."

BOLI's Annual Employment Law Conference draws in excess of 300 participants to the Oregon Convention Center in Portland every year for two days of educational seminars. The <u>finalized schedule and registration information</u> showcase a range of brand new seminars, including a special express version of <u>BOLI's newest employer seminar</u>. A variety of continuing education credits will be available to attendees: PHR, SPHR or GPHR recertification through the HR Certification Institute for human resources professionals—currently pending final approval—and hours for operators licensed by the Construction Contractors Board or the Landscape Contractors Board.

"We have conference information on our website and going out by mail," Germundson continued, "but one of the best things about the TA conference is our consistently high approval rating among attendees and the positive word-of-mouth exposure that we get. It's why we have 300-plus attendees every year and why so many keep coming back every year."

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