

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 06-04
REGARDING EQUAL OPPORTUNITY WITHIN
ALASKA'S WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board is responsible for statewide planning and coordination of Alaska's workforce investment system;

WHEREAS, Recipients of financial assistance under Workforce Investment Act (WIA) WIA Title I are required to designate Equal Opportunity Officers per 29 CFR Part 37;

WHEREAS, the Division of Business Partnerships and the Employment Security Division, as recipients of federal financial assistance, are obligated to comply with Equal Opportunity (EO) and nondiscrimination requirements under WIA Section 188;

WHEREAS, Equal Opportunity Officers are required to develop and implement a Methods of Administration (MoA) that gives a reasonable guarantee of compliance with WIA Section 188 and 29 CFR Part 37;

WHEREAS, the MoA is signed by the Governor and approved by the U.S. Department of Labor;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

The Alaska Workforce Investment Board authorizes the following WIA Title I recipients, respective of organizational oversight, to provide EO compliance within Alaska's workforce investment system.

The AWIB further authorizes these recipients to designate an Equal Opportunity Officer responsible for the development and implementation of the Governor's MoA, per WIA 188 and 29 CFR Part 37.

- Division of Business Partnerships – Recipients of WIA Title I funding through grants, contracts and service providers funded through its division. This excludes the Employment Security Division and includes, among other recipients, the Alaska Vocational Technical Center and providers on the Eligible Training Provider List.
- Employment Security Division – WIA Title I recipients within the one-stop system (Alaska Job Center Network). This also includes WIA Title I recipients within the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development except the Division of Business Partnerships.

The divisions shall institute policy that ensures the appointed individuals have the skill, ability, knowledge and authority to properly oversee and direct the EO program to which they are assigned. The AWIB recognizes the collaborative process required to comply with federal nondiscrimination regulations under 29 CFR Part 37. To this end, the AWIB encourages each partner agency under WIA 121(b) to designate a point-of-contact to the Equal Opportunity Officers, respective of WIA Title I programs or activities, for compliance assistance with the Governor's Methods of Administration.

This effort will promote equal opportunity for all beneficiaries within the workforce investment system, especially individuals with disabilities. Ongoing efforts will allow recipients to adjust policies, procedures, and practices toward accessibility and universal access.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the Alaska Workforce Investment Board Executive Committee is comprised of 4 members, of whom 4, constituting a quorum, were present at a meeting duly and regularly called, noticed, convened and held this 9th day of May, 2006, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of 4 members, and opposed by 0 members, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Signed this 18th day of May, 2006



_____, Chair
Alaska Workforce Investment Board