



## **Senate Passes “UI Integrity” Provisions Supported by UWC and UI Business Coalition**

On November 19<sup>th</sup>, as part of the Claims Resolution Act of 2010 (HR 4783), the US Senate passed two UI Integrity provisions in Title VIII of the bill favored by UWC and the UI business coalition. Specifically, the bill provides for expanded use of the Treasury offset program through which UI overpayments may be recovered from income tax refunds. The new authority expands the use of the program beyond the limited availability in cases of fraud.

Secondly, the language would require that employers report to the national New Hire data base “the date services for remuneration were first performed by the employee”. This new reporting data element will enable states to more effectively identify weeks for which individuals received unemployment compensation while working and assist in identifying and collecting overpayments and fraud.

The Treasury offset and reporting requirements would be effective 6 months after the date of enactment.

HR 4783 now moves to the House for consideration with considerable support as the broader bill provides funds for settlement of Tribal Water Rights, Claims from Black Farmers and TANF training funding. The UI integrity provisions provide a significant part of the revenue over the next 10 years as offset to this additional spending.

The actual text of the legislation as passed by the Senate may be found at [http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=111\\_cong\\_bills&docid=f:h4783eas.txt.pdf](http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=111_cong_bills&docid=f:h4783eas.txt.pdf)

The UI Integrity provisions were the two provisions in the USDOL UI Integrity Act proposal and we included them on our list of items to be enacted in our letter dated November 15<sup>th</sup> to Members of Congress.