

**NOTICE: PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULED FOR PROPOSED EMERGENCY RULE CHANGES TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE WYOMING UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE DIVISION**

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Chairman of the Unemployment Insurance Commission has called a special meeting to consider the adoption of emergency rules under the authority granted by W.S. § 27-3-602(a)(i) that will affect the Rules and Regulations of the Wyoming Unemployment Insurance Division. These emergency rules are being considered in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, in order to satisfy the requirements of the Family First Coronavirus Response Act (Pub. L. 116-127), and to maintain and strengthen access to the unemployment compensation system for claimants impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The Commission proposes to add a new chapter to the rules, Chapter 34. The new chapter contains the following provisions:

Section 1: Provides for an extended period of job attachment in which eligible claimants directly impacted by the COVID-19 virus could maintain benefit eligibility beyond the currently-allowed 12-week period without being required to register for work with the Division.

Section 2: Waives the requirements that an otherwise eligible claimant actively seek work and be able and available for work for any week in which the claimant has been personally ordered or instructed by a public official having jurisdiction or a health care provider to self-isolate or quarantine as a result of exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

Section 3: Requires employing units to inform employees who separate from their jobs, for any reason, of the potential availability of unemployment compensation and to keep an adequate record that the notice was provided.

In order to maintain the most recent public health recommendations while complying with the requirements of public meetings held via electronic means under W.S. 16-4-403(d) the meeting will be held at **8:30 am on March 30, 2020 via a live-stream** available to the public using the following access information:

<https://zoom.us/>

Click “Join a meeting”

Meeting ID: 657965822

Emergency rules are temporary rules adopted without notice and without public comment, and the opportunity for public comment will not be provided prior to or during the special meeting.