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Virginia Employment Commission Hosts Public Meetings

Richmond – Beginning April 19, 2007, the Virginia Employment Commission (VEC) will host a series of public meetings statewide to discuss options for changes in service delivery and the impact on local offices. Citizens and state and local elected officials are invited to attend these meetings and share their views on the VEC's future.

The VEC receives all of its funding from the federal government. The source of this funding is the Federal Unemployment Tax (FUTA) paid by Virginia employers, but the share of these funds returned to Virginia has been steadily decreasing. Currently, Virginia receives back only about 30 percent of our employers' FUTA dollars, which is the second lowest return in the nation.

It has become clear that the VEC must significantly reduce the number of field offices and staffing levels. This will allow the VEC substantial cost savings while directing resources into enhanced alternative service options.

Thursday, April 19, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Riverstone Technology Building

1100 Confroy Drive

South Boston

Monday, April 23, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Nandua High School

26350 Lankford Highway

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Tuesday, April 24, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Portsmouth Social Services

1701 High Street

Portsmouth

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Wednesday, April 25, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Hines Middle School Auditorium

561 McLawhorne Drive

Newport News

Tuesday, May 1, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Roanoke Higher Education Center

108 North Jefferson Street

Roanoke

Wednesday, May 2, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Wytheville Meeting Center

333 Community Boulevard

Wytheville

Thursday, May 3, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

St. Paul Town Hall

16531 Russell Street

St. Paul

Wednesday, May 9, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Alexandria VEC Office

5520 Cherokee Avenue

Alexandria

Monday, May 14, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Germanna Center for Advanced Technology

18121 Technology Drive

Culpeper

Tuesday, May 15, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Henrico County Government Center

Administration Building, Board Room

4301 East Parham Road

Richmond

Wednesday, May 16, 2007

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Rockingham County Administration Center

20 East Gay Street

Harrisonburg

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