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Departments of Revenue and Workforce Development assist workers and businesses affected by fraud perpetrated by payroll company

MADISON—Department of Revenue Secretary-designee Peter Barca and Department of Workforce Development Secretarydesignee Caleb Frostman are jointly reaching out to provide assistance to both workers and businesses impacted by the sudden closure of MyPayrollHR.

MyPayrollHR was an on-line provider of payroll and HR software that provided payroll deposit, paycheck, and withholding payment services to over 1,000 businesses throughout the US. According to press reports, in early September the CEO admitted to a massive \$70M fraud that has negatively impacted all of their business customers and individuals employed by their business customers.

The Department of Revenue identified approximately 180 Wisconsin businesses negatively impacted as a result of this massive fraud. Specifically, the September payments made on behalf of the businesses have resulted in insufficient funds, and will potentially subject the businesses to late payment interest fees and penalties. The department is seeking to hear from businesses impacted by the fraud to assist them in avoiding costly fees and penalties for missing those payments.

"We are working to ensure that these companies who have already fallen victim don't get further hurt by late payments and fees," stated Peter Barca, Secretary-designee of the Department of Revenue. We encourage companies to contact us for assistance in navigating their options for avoiding costly penalties."

Employees facing wage related issues may contact the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Equal Rights Division at 608-266-6860 or fill out a Labor Standards Complaint form at: <u>https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dwd/forms/erd/ls_119_e.htm</u>.

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