Employers: Are you compliant with the Fair Labor Standards Act changes?

On April 23, the U.S. DOL announced a final rule, Defining and Delimiting the Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales, and Computer Employees, which took effect on July 1, 2024 (and then increase again on January 1, 2025).

Revisions include increases to the standard salary level and the highly compensated employee (HCE) total annual compensation threshold, and a mechanism that provides for the timely and efficient updating of these earnings thresholds to reflect current earnings data.



What should you be doing now to ensure compliance?

- Compensation analysis of exempt employees
 - O Who is/will be impacted?
- Determine a strategy prior to the next increase (Jan. 2025):
 - Reclassify and pay overtime
 - Some people have real feelings about going from salary to hourly/perception of demotion/punching in and punching out/remote work policies
 - Increase compensation to meet new minimum threshold (keep exempt status)
 - Budget for overtime if you decide to reclassify and/or put controls in place to limit overtime usage
- Wait to implement until January (or make any corrections that didn't happen in July)

It's also a good time to review job descriptions and ensure proper classification.

Still have questions or need help?



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