## Rhode Island: Subminimum Wage for Persons with a Disability Repealed

Effective June 15, 2022, the Rhode Island Director of Labor and Training may no longer approve a subminimum wage for persons with a physical or mental disability. The state's minimum wage is currently \$12.25 per hour.

(HB 7511 & SB 2242 signed by governor June 15, 2022)

## **Rhode Island: Special Work Permit for Minors Requires Training**

Effective June 15, 2022, minors at least age 14 must certify to the state's <u>Department of Labor and Industry</u> that they've successfully completed its training program—addressing workers' rights, workplace health and safety, and workers' compensation—before they can get a <u>special limited work permit</u>, which allows them to work where legally permitted when school isn't in session and when it is in session, but not during school hours. The department's program will be available virtually and be no longer than three hours in duration.

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