

violence, or stalking, you may be eligible for benefits under the Domestic and Sexual Violence Survivor's Transitional Employment Program. When speaking with a representative at the toll-free number listed above, please ask to speak with the Domestic Violence Program Manager.

nal help in finding a job, an internship, or job training opportunities, For free profe visit a Department of Labor Career Resource Center near you.

> To find your local Center, visit labor.vermont.gov or call 888-807-7072

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Family Leave

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Parental Leave, Family Leave and Short-Term Family Leave

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- Vermont's Family Leave Law, which includes Short-Term Family Leave, covers employers with 15 or more workers who work an average of 30 hours per week over the course of a year. A worker who has worked for a covered employer for an average of 30 hours a week for a year is entitled to leave under these laws. During any 12 month period, the worker is entitled to up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave: Parental Leave: during the pregnancy and/or after childbirth; or, within a year following the initial placement of a child 16 years of age or younger with the worker for the purpose of adoption; Family Leave; for the serious illness of the worker, worker's child, stepchild, ward, foster child, party to a civil union, parent, spouse, or parent of the worker's spouse; and in addition to the leave convident on 12 N Sec. 472 a worker is entitled to shorterm family leave of un to A hours in
- and, in addition to the leave provided in 21 V.S.A. Sec. 472, a worker is entitled to **short-term family leave** of up to 4 hours in any 30 day period (but not more than 24 hours in any 12 month period) of unpaid leave:

Short-Term Family Leave: to participate in preschool or school activities directly related to the academic advancement of the worker's child, stepchild, foster child or ward who lives with the worker; to attend or to accompany the worker's child, stepchild, foster child or ward who lives with the worker or the worker's parent, spouse or parenti-have to routine medical or dental appointments; to accompany the worker's parent, spouse, or parent-in-law to routine medical or dental appointments; to accompany the worker's parent, spouse, or parent-in-law to other appointments for professional services related to their care and weal belong; to respond to a medical emergency involving the employee's child, stepchild, foster child or ward who lives with the worker or the employee's parent, spouse or parent-in-law.

The worker must give reasonable written notice of intent to take **family** or **parental** leave, including the anticipated dates the ve will start and end. The employer may not require notice more than 6 weeks prior to birth or adoption. If serious illness is imed, the employer may require certification from a physician. For **AnortemTamIly** given, a worker must give notice as early possible, at least seven days before the leave is to be taken unless waiting seven days could have a significant adverse act on the employee's family member

- A worker may choose to use sick leave, or vacation leave, or any other accrued paid leave time during the leave, up to six weeks. The employer may not require the worker to do so. Use of paid leave does not extend the overall leave time to which the worker is entitled.
- The employer must continue to provide all worker benefits unchanged during the leave period but may require the worker to contribute to the cost at the existing rate of worker contribution.

Upon return from leave, a worker must be offered the job held previously or a comparable one at equal pay, benefits, seniority, and other terms and conditions.

Exceptions: A worker is not entitled to leave under the Parental and Family Leave Act if the employer can prove by clear and

- ng evidence that: <u>Layoff</u>: during the period of leave the employee's job would have been terminated or the worker would have
- Largent using the period on leave the hipsges glow would have been remininated on the worker would have been laid off for reasons unrelated to the leave; or Unique Services; the worker performed unique services and hiring a permanent replacement during the leave, after giving the worker notice of intent to do so, was the employer's <u>only</u> available alternative to prevent substantial and grevous economic injury.

This law sets a minimum standard for parental and family leave rights. It does not prevent an employer from offering a more generous leave policy and does not reduce an employer's obligation under a collective bargaining agreement or existing program that provides greater leave rights than the law requires.

EMPLOYEES ARE PROTECTED FROM RETALIATION OF ANY KIND IN CONNECTION WITH THE ENFORCEMENT OF THIS LAW.

- aggrieved by a violation of this law may: bring a private lawsuit for injunctive relief, economic damages including prospective lost wages for a period not to exceed one year, attorney fees and court costs;
- Exceed on particular to the state worker) lodge a complaint with the Office of the Attorney General at 828-3657, or (if you are a state worker) lodge a complaint with the Vermont Human Rights Commission at 828-2480. These agencies may investigate your complaint and bring action in court to enforce this law.
- To obtain copies of this poster, call the Vermont Department of Labor at 802-951-4083 or visit our website at: http://labor.vermont.gov/wordpress/wp-content/uploads//WH-14-Parental-Family-Leave-Poster.pdf

Equal Opportunity is the Law nont is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Emiloyer. Applications from women, individuals with disabilities, and people fn ands are encouraged. Auxiliary aids and services are are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. 711 (TTV)/Relay Se 802-828-4203 TDD (Vermont Department of Labor). WH-14 (06/19) lost from work. The employer must also provide a copy of the Form 1 to the injured worker and to the insurance carrier

- If the employer fails to file a First Report, an employee may file a Notice of Injury and Claim for Compensation (Form 5) with the Vermont Department of Labor within six months of the date of injury.
- Information concerning injured worker rights and benefits is available on the department's Workers' Compensation website at http://www.labor.vermont.gov or by calling (802) 828-2286.

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Sexual Harassment

NOTICE

SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS ILLEGAL and is prohibited by **THE VERMONT FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES ACT** (VFEPA) (Title 21, Chapter 5, Subchapter 6 of the Vermont Statutes) **AND TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964** (42 United State Code Section 2000e <u>et sea</u>.)

VERMONT LAW NOW PROTECTS ALL WORKERS, NOT JUST EMPLOYEES. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018, VERMONT'S PROTECTIONS

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SUBMISSION TO THAT CONDUCT IS MADE EITHER EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY A TERM OR CONDITION OF WORK: OR

(B) SUBMISSION TO OR REJECTION OF SUCH CONDUCT BY AN INDIVIDUAL IS USED AS A COMPONENT OF THE BASIS

(C) THE CONDUCT HAS THE PURPOSE OR EFFECT OF SUBSTANTIALLY INTERFERING WITH THE INDIVIDUAL'S WORK

PERFORMANCE OR CREATING AN INTIMIDATING, HOSTILE OR OFFENSIVE WORK ENVIRONMENT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO RETALIATE AGAINST AN INDIVIDUAL PERFORMING WORK OR SERVICES FOR FILING A COMPLAINT OF

IT IS THE POLICY OF THIS EMPLOYER TO ENSURE A WORKPLACE FREE OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS.

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FOR WORK-RELATED DECISIONS AFFECTING THAT INDIVIDUAL; OR

SEXUAL HARASSMENT OR FOR COOPERATING IN AN INVESTIGATION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT.

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Safety and Health Protection on the Job

The Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Code (Title 21 V.S.A. Chapter 3, Sub-Chapters 4 and 5, and the rules adopted (there under) provides job safety and health protection for workers.

The purpose of the law is to assure safe and healthful working conditions throughout the State.

- You have the right to notify your employer or VOSHA about work-place hazards. You may ask VOSHA to keep your name confident
- You have the right to request a VOSHA inspection if you believe that there are unsafe and unhealthful conditions in your workplace.
- You or your representative may participate in the inspection.
- u can file a complaint with VOSHA within 30 days of discrimina n by your employer for making safety and health complaints or exercising your rights under the Vermont Occupational Safety I health Act.
- You have a right to see VOSHA citations issued to your employer. Your employer must post the citations at or near the place of the employer mu ed violation.
- our employer must correct workplace hazards by the date indica d on the citation and must certify that these hazards have been educed or eliminated.
- You have the right to copies of your medical records or re your exposure to toxic and harmful substances or condition rds of
- Your employer must post this notice in your w
- The Statute provides that employees may not be discharged or dis-criminated against in any way for filing safety or health complaints or otherwise exercising their rights under the Code.
- The Statute also provides that employees who are discriminated against may bring a private action in Superior Court for appropria relief Including reinstatement, triple wages, damages, costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act), P.L. 91-596, assures safe and healthful working conditions for working men and women throughout the Nation. To obtain more information on OSHA federal programs, call 1-800-321-OSHA or visit OSHA's website at www.osha.gov.

The Vermont Occupational Safety and Health Administration (VOSHA), in the Vermont Department of Labor, has the primary responsibility for administering the OSH Act in Vermont. To file a complaint, report an emergency, or seek VOSHA advice or assis-tance call 1-800-287-2765.

Under a plan approved October 1, 1973, by the U.S. Depart-ment of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the State of Vermont is providing job safety and health protection for workers throughout the State. OSHA will monito the operation of this plan to assure that continued approval is merited. Any person may make a complaint regarding Vermont administration of this plan directly to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. John E. Kennedy Federal Building. Health Administration, John F. Kennedy Federal Building n E-340, Boston, MA, 02203, Telephone (617) 565-986

ASSISTANCE AND INFORMATION:

The plan provides that employers and employees may request free voluntary compliance consultative or training assistance, which is provided by non-enforcement Project WorkSAFE personnel.

1-800-287-2765 www.labor.vermont.gov

You have a right to a safe and healthy workplace.

IT'S THE LAW!



Project WorkSAFE Department of Labor 5 Green Mountain Drive P. O. Box 488 Montpelier, Vermont 05601-0488 Telephone (888) SAFE-YES Toll-free at 1-888-723-3937.



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Examples of SEXUAL HARASSMENT include: UNWELCOME SEXUAL ADVANCES • SUGGESTIVE OR LEWD REMARKS• UNWANTED HUGS, TOUCHES, KISSES • REQUESTS FOR SEXUAL FAVORS • PORNOGRAPHIC POSTERS, CARTOONS OR DRAWINGS • UNWELCOME SEXUAL JOKES AND BANTER Consequences for COMMITTING SEXUAL HARASSMENT may include DISCIPLINARY ACTION, FROM A VERBAL WARNING TO DISMISSAL • DAMAGES AND OTHER RELIEF FOR THE VICTIM CIVIL PENALTIES OF UP TO \$10,000 PER VIOLATION • CRIMINAL PENALTIES

> EMPLOYEES OR INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED TO PERFORM WORK OR SERVICES who believe that they have been sexually harassed or retaliated against for complaining of sexual harassment are encouraged to report the situation as soon as possible to:

(a) his or her supervisor, and/or

- (the head of this organization), and/or
- (c) this person, who is designated to receive such complaints and reports:
- Name and Title
- Address and Telephone Number____

The above-named individuals can also provide copies of this employer's written sexual harassment policy.

THIS EMPLOYER WILL PROMPTLY INVESTIGATE AND RESPOND TO ALL REPORTS AND KNOWLEDGE OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

You also may contact the STATE OF VERMONT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609-1001 (888-745-9195 (Toll Free VT) or 802-828-3657; ago.civilrights@vermont.gov); and/or, if you work for an employer with at least 15 employees, the EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION, John F. Kennedy Federal Building, 475 Goverment Center, Boston, MA 02230 (617-565-3196 or 1-800-669-4000); or, if you work for a Vermont State agency, the Human Rights Commission, 14-16 Baldwin Street, Montpelier, VT 05633-6301 (800-416-2010 (Toll Free VT) or 802-828-2480 human.rights@vermont.gov).

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