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STATEWIDE FURLOUGHS
Second state closure day happens on Friday, August 20, 2010

Recently enacted legislation implements a statewide furlough program to be administered by the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA). ADOA announces today that most State offices will close on Friday, August 20, 2010, and an estimated 29,334 state employees will take the day off without pay. Furlough days come in addition to several other cuts and spending reductions allowing the State to maintain a balanced budget.

"The Arizona Legislature and I have undertaken the most substantial streamlining of state government in Arizona history," said Governor Jan Brewer. "Although these furlough measures are not the only solution, they are necessary elements of balancing our state budget."

Reduce expenditures while minimizing inconvenience
The mandatory furlough program is hoped to save up to $20 million. "This is the second of 12 closure dates the state has scheduled between now and June, 2012. Factors considered in selecting the furlough dates include utility savings, incoming call volume to the State's call centers and walk-in traffic. These dates were ultimately selected to minimize inconvenience to the public," stated ADOA Interim Director David Raber.

Designated Furlough Dates
Most state government offices will be closed on the following dates:

FY 2011

- Friday, July 23, 2010
- Friday, August 20, 2010
- Friday, September 17, 2010
- Friday, November 26, 2010

- Thursday, December 23, 2010
- Friday, June 10, 2011

FY 2012

- Friday, July 22, 2011
- Friday, August 19, 2011
- Friday, September 16, 2011
- Friday, November 25, 2011
- Friday, December 23, 2011
- Friday, June 15, 2012

Not all offices will close

Certain state agencies providing essential public services will remain open and state employees in those agencies will remain on the job as usual. Many of these agencies operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, for example, the Pioneer's Home, the Veteran's Home, Juvenile Corrections Secure Care facilities, the Arizona State Hospital and State prisons.

On-line services such as "Service Arizona" will not be affected. Additionally, both the Child Abuse Hotline and Adult Protective Services Hotline will continue to take reports during furlough days.

For a complete listing of state offices that will remain open and those that will be closed due to furloughs, please visit http://www.azdoa.gov/news/furloughs.asp

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