

FY 2011 Omnibus Legislation
Direction to labor Secretary on Whistleblower Program

Whistleblower Protection.--To ensure the effectiveness of the Whistleblower Protection Program (WPP), the Secretary of Labor is directed to require that all WPP investigators and supervisors have taken both of OSHA's mandatory courses for whistleblower statutes by June 30, 2011. In addition, the Secretary is directed to comply with the language in Senate report 111-243 regarding the WPP. The Secretary is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than April 30, 2011, that identifies options to establish and operate a stand-alone WPP Division reporting directly to the Deputy Secretary, or to establish and operate the WPP as a separate office within OSHA to be headed by an expert on employment retaliation law who has supervisory responsibility over all whistleblower staff. The report should include cost estimates for each scenario.

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