

■ **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION LAW**

TERMS: A farm operator or other employer who paid \$20,000 or more in any 3-month period (calendar quarter) in the current or preceding year for agricultural labor, or employed 10 or more agricultural workers for some part of a day in 20 or more different weeks this year or last, must pay unemployment insurance taxes to the state, which credits each worker for the amount of wages reported by the employer.

An unemployed farmworker who has accumulated the necessary wage credits from working for one or more such employers, and who meets the program's other qualifications, may be eligible for weekly unemployment benefits.

ENFORCEMENT: *Office of Employment and Training, Kentucky Department of Workforce Investment, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502-564-5331).* Unemployed workers who believe they may be eligible for benefits may file a claim online, at uiclaims.des.ky.gov/ebenefit/.