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TO: All State Agencies, Boards and Commissions

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SUBJECT: Change in Maximum Social Security (OASDI) and Medicare (HI) Withholding for Calendar Year 2021

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The tax rate for Social Security in 2021 will remain at 6.2% for the employee and the employer. The maximum wages subject to Social Security in 2021 will be \$142,800.

The tax rate for Medicare in 2021 will remain at 1.45% for the employer. The tax rate for Medicare for the employee will remain at 1.45% for the first \$200,000 in wages and 2.35% for wages exceeding \$200,000.

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