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## MLP Alert: Have you received a letter regarding a claim for PUA and you did NOT apply for benefits?

1. Don't worry, if you are a victim of fraud and the imposter received the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) benefits, you are not responsible for paying that money back. Once you report the fraudulent claim, a hold will be placed on the fraudulent account and no more money will go to that account.

\*\*You can still apply for benefits if you need to, DLIR can distinguish between the reported fraudulent account and your legitimate claim.

2. If you have access to a computer or mobile device, go to this website: <u>https://pua.hawaii.gov/</u>



a. Then click "Use a Letter ID to report theft"



b. Fill in the letter ID and claim ID indicated on the PUA letter you received.

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- 3. If you believe that your information was gained because of identity theft, report it at this site to stop others from using your information: <u>https://www.identitytheft.gov/</u>
  - a. Also report the identity theft at: <u>https://lbr.force.com/PUASupport/s/contactsupport</u>
- 4. If you are having trouble with the online resource or cannot access the internet, you can mail in the form letter below to the address that was specified on the envelope you received that contained the fraudulent claim.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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DLIR Address on the envelope you received:

Letter ID (on the letter you received):

Claim ID (on the letter you received):

## Re: PUA Fraud

To Whom It May Concern:

I have received a letter regarding a claim for PUA but did not apply for benefits. I believe that I am a victim of identity theft and am reporting that the indicated PUA claim was created fraudulently. Please notify me by mail or phone when the issue has been resolved.

Your Name (First Last)

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Your Address

Kind Regards,

Printed Name

Signature