



## PENNSYLVANIA NEWS

Pennsylvania has taken another step in fighting fraud by removing claimants' social security numbers from their UC checks, reducing the potential for identity theft.

This action coincides with the removal of social security numbers from checks issued through the State Workers' Insurance Fund (SWIF).

Employers can help fight fraud by reviewing their Monthly Notice of Compensation Charged. Also important is to promptly report their companies' wages through secure Internet sites and to respond to various requests for separation or wage information regarding current or former workers.

To report fraud quickly, employers may access the UC Web site at [www.state.pa.us](http://www.state.pa.us), PA Keyword "uc fraud".

### IMPORTANT UC TAX FACTS FOR 2006

**January 30, 2006** ---Last date to submit a Voluntary Contribution.

**March 31, 2006** -----Last date to file a timely UC Tax Rate appeal. The surcharge and additional contributions tax are not subject to appeal.

**April 30, 2006**-----Last date to request a timely election for a Debit Reserve Balance Adjustment.

#### **Solvency measures remaining in effect for 2006:**

##### **Employer Taxes**

A 7.2 percent (.072) surcharge on employer contributions (does not apply to reimbursable employers).

A 0.6 percent (.0060) employer additional contribution tax. This tax is not applicable to newly liable or reimbursable employers.

##### **Employee Taxes**

A .09 percent (.0009) tax on employee wages, or 90 cents on each \$1000 earned. Employee withholding is not limited to the \$8000 taxable wage base for employer contributions; it applies to the total wages paid in 2006.