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Rep. Feigenholtz Holds Workshop to Help Local Business Owners

CHICAGO – State Representative Sara Feigenholtz (D-Chicago) and the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) hosted a business services workshop in Lakeview on Thursday to help employers understand the range of state services available to them.

Attendees were given information on state tax credits, TaxNet, Illinois Skills Match, and other programs available to help Illinois employers recruit skilled workers and utilize state resources.

“As a former small business owner, I am committed to improving the local small business economy which makes up the backbone of our community,” Feigenholtz said. “During these trying economic times, it’s even more important to help business owners make it through the recession.”

A portion of the workshop also focused on teaching employers how to best protest unemployment claims. IDES representatives used real case studies to demonstrate the most common mistakes employers make in attempting to protest claims against them.

“It can be a very difficult and frustrating experience as an employer to understand the unemployment claims process,” said Brenden Chrisman, General Manager of Roscoe’s Tavern & Café in Lakeview. “To be able to come here today, put a face to the agency, and ask questions directly related to our business are invaluable opportunities and I am grateful to Representative Feigenholtz and IDES for bringing this workshop to us. I feel much more confident in asserting my rights as an employer.”

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