Illinois Equal Pay Act's Certification Requirement Extended to More Employers

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Previously, only companies with *more than* 100 employees were required to complete the IEPA registration certification.

This means that more employers must ensure compliance with IEPA's substantial and, at times, confusing reporting requirements. For instance, under the law, there is no fixed deadline for certification (<u>IDOL</u> is assigning deadlines on a rolling basis). Further, questions remain on what analyses, if any, are necessary to support certification.

The IDOL has posted frequently asked questions about applying for an Equal Pay Registration Certificate. The IDOL has indicated it will be publishing proposed regulations on May 20, 2022. Jackson Lewis attorneys will provide an update when the proposed regulations are published.

If you have questions about how your company should be addressing registration under the IEPA, please contact the Jackson Lewis attorney with whom you work.

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