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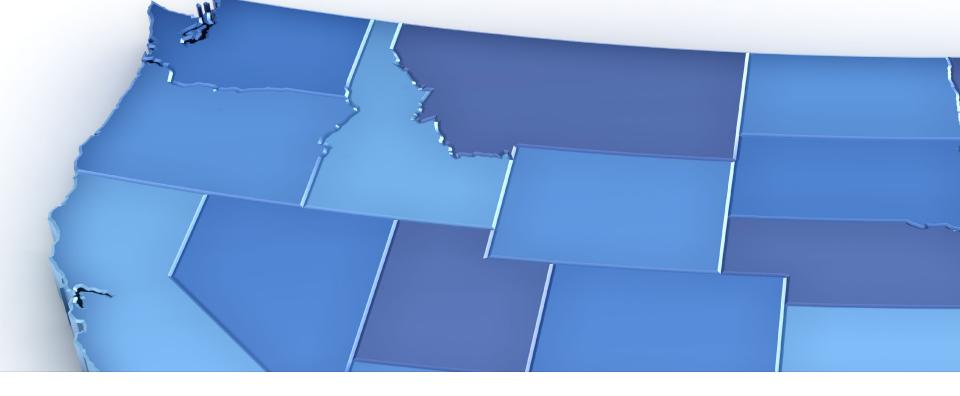
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# State-Mandated Retirement Programs What You Need to Know



# Agenda

- What are State-Mandated Retirement Programs?
- Current Status of State-Mandated Retirement Plans
- What's on the Federal Legislative Horizon?
- How The Standard Can Help Your Practice





# What Are State-Mandated Retirement Programs?



## What Are State-Mandated Retirement Programs?

- Established based upon state law
- Require private employers to provide retirement benefits
- Distinct from state retirement plans established for public employees



## **Historical Context**

- Grown out of grassroots industry action
- Access to retirement plan benefits is more available for larger employers
- Women, African Americans and Latinas save for retirement at a significantly less rate than their counterparts
- Global pandemic has only heightened Americans' retirement savings challenges



## Commonalities

- Employer must participate
- Employees auto-enrolled
- Typically administered through payroll deductions
- Chosen by the state
- IRA programs and Open MEPs are the most common





# **Status of Current Programs**



## Status of Current Programs

30+ states have considered enacting state-mandated retirement plan legislation

Program Status	States Participating
Active Mandatory Programs	California, Illinois, Oregon
Mandatory Programs (Legislation Passed/Implementation Scheduled)	Colorado, Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Virginia
Active Voluntary Programs	Massachusetts, New Mexico, Vermont, Washington



# Active Mandatory Program – California

- Employers with 5 or more employees required to participate
- Portable plan, offering Traditional and Roth IRAs
- Auto-enrollment of employees
- Oversight from a public board chaired by the State Treasurer
- Multiple target-date funds, ESG fund, core bond fund and global equity fund



## Active Mandatory Program – Illinois

- Employers who have 25 or more EEs and in operation for at least 2 yrs.
- Requires every ER with 5 or more EEs to register
- Automatic enrollment of employees at 5% contribution rate
- Roth IRA
- Employees may opt-out



# Active Mandatory Program – Oregon

- Employers that do not offer a retirement plan or self-employed individuals
- Portable Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA)
- Automatic enrollment @ 5% Contribution Rate
- ERs have 60 days to enroll a new EEs



#### Colorado

- Employers with 5 or more employees and in business for at least 2 years
- Fines imposed of \$100 per year for each unenrolled employee,
   maximum of \$5000/year

#### Connecticut

- Employers with 5 or more employees
- Automatic enrollment Roth IRA Program



#### Maine

- Automatic Enrollment Roth IRA plan created in June 2021
- Any employer in business for at least 2 years

#### Maryland

- Automatic enrollment IRA program
- Includes Retirement Income and Emergency Savings components



#### **New Jersey**

- Companies with 25 or more EEs and in business at least 2 years
- Automatic enrollment IRA program

#### **New York State**

- Automatic Enrollment Roth IRA
- Employers with at least 10 EEs



#### **New York City**

- Auto-enrollment IRA program
- ERs with at least 5 EEs

### Virginia

- IRA Program with Automatic Enrollment of EEs with 30 + hours
- ERs with 25 or more EEs



## **Voluntary Programs**

#### **Massachusetts**

- Voluntary Open-MEP 401(k) for non-profit employers "CORE" Plan
- Companies with 20 or fewer EEs

#### **New Mexico**

- New Mexico Work and Save Act enacted 2020
- Voluntary Auto-Enrollment IRA program



## Voluntary Programs – Continued

#### **Vermont**

- Voluntary Open MEP
- Available to Employers with 50 EEs

#### Washington

- Retirement Small Business Marketplace Enrollment in plans on the Retirement Marketplace is voluntary
- Currently offers nine types of retirement



## **Honorable Mentions**

**Louisiana** introduced Senate Bill 283 which would have established the Louisiana Retirement Savings Plan.

**North Dakota** Introduced House Bill 1200 which would have established the Save Toward a Retirement Today.

**Ohio** House Bill 645 was introduced to establish an auto-enrollment retirement savings program for private sector employees.

**Utah** introduced a resolution to study and develop a model for a state sponsored retirement savings program.

**Nebraska, New Hampshire, West Virginia** launched studies to examine the availability and adequacy of retirement savings and creation of state-sponsored retirement plans.

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# Federal Legislative Horizon



## Secure Act – Now What?

- Retirement Security & Savings Act
  - Introduced by Senators Robert Portman (R-OH) and Ben Cardin (D-MD)
- Securing A Strong Retirement Act and the Retirement Security & Savings Act
  - Auto Enrollment
  - CITs
  - Student Loan Matching
  - Encourages small business
  - Expands 401k eligibility
- Retirement Improvement and Savings Enhancement (RISE) Act
  - Improved coverage for part-time workers
  - Retirement Savings Lost and Found



## Still Waiting on Secure Act 2.0

- Securing a Strong Retirement Act of 2021 (H.R. 2954) "SECURE Act 2.0"
  - Likely to pass on a bipartisan basis
  - Builds on the 2019 SECURE Act
  - Merger of 2 bills possible
- Retirement Enhancement and Savings Act (RESA)
  - Easier and financially viable for small employers
  - Permits offering annuities & products
  - Expanded Tax Credits



## Still Waiting on Secure Act 2.0 – continued

#### Automatic Retirement Plan Act of 2017

- Expected to be reintroduced
- Requires employers to provide workers with access to a payroll deduction for savings through an IRA, 401(k), or other qualified retirement savings plan
- Lead by Richard Neal (D-Mass.)



# State-Mandated Retirement Programs

State and federal legislative activity continues

Challenges	Opportunities
Lack of uniformity among states	State or regional specialization
Not a current priority for Congress	No federal guidance/law
New market/potential clients	Expansion of current structures and plan types





# How The Standard Can Help



## Material for Your Business Clients

- State-specific resources provided to you by The Standard
  - Explanation of the state-mandated program
  - Comparison between different provisions of retirement plan options
  - Editable for your practice and contact information





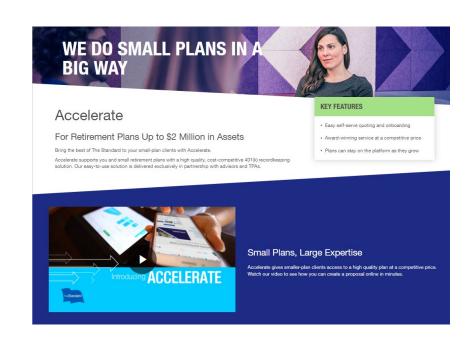






## Accelerate

- 401(k) plans
- On-demand plan pricing
- Onboarding
- Scalability
- Competitive investment options
- Optional fiduciary services
- Award-winning service
- Transparency
- Data accuracy







## Questions?

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