

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Wage and Hour Division
Washington

LABOR OBJECTIONS STAY EFFECTIVE DATE OF FRUIT-VEGETABLE
SEASONAL EXEMPTION

Objections filed by labor organizations with Colonel Philip B. Fleming, Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, U. S. Department of Labor, have stayed the making final of a determination to grant a 14-weeks partial exemption from the maximum hours provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act to fresh fruit and vegetable warehouses, and an additional partial exemption of 14 weeks to fresh fruit and vegetable packing establishments and canneries.

The last two types of establishment already have such a 14-week exemption by statute. Under administrative regulations, 15 days are allowed for the filing of objections by any interested persons or organizations, to such a determination. Without objection this determination would have automatically become in force on August 8, 1940.

Objections were filed by the American Federation of Labor, the Congress of Industrial Organizations and several of their affiliated unions. The postponement will be in effect until the Administrator has had opportunity to study the objections and decided upon his course in the light of their presentations.

The objections have no effect on the regulations re-defining the "area of production" for this industry, which are to become effective October 1, 1940.

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