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As summer approaches, many employers are being asked to consider using summer interns. Students and others who are unable to obtain jobs are nonetheless interested in holding internships as a means to gain valuable experience and perhaps an eventual job. Many of these prospective interns are willing to serve without pay. This option has some appeal to many businesses. Notwithstanding these mutual interests, the Department of Labor has recently announced that unpaid internships are virtually barred in the for-profit private sector. This warning is made clear in the DOL's Fact Sheet (available at http://www.dol.gov/whd/regs/compliance/whdfs71.htm) published in April 2010.

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