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Douglas Hall Joins the Economic Progress Institute as Director of Economic and Fiscal Policy

Providence, RI – The Economic Progress Institute is pleased to announce that Douglas Hall, Ph.d. has joined the staff of the Institute as its new Director of Economic and Fiscal Policy.

“We are thrilled to have Doug join the EPI team,” said Rachel Flum, the Institute’s Executive Director. “Doug’s expertise will strengthen our advocacy to ensure the state has adequate revenue to support education, health care, workforce development and other vital public services.”

Doug is returning to state-based work after serving for five years at the Economic Policy institute as Director of the Economic Analysis and Research Network (EARN), a network of state and local organizations committed to improving the well-being of working families and state economies.

“Doug’s experience at EARN and his broad knowledge of strategies in other states will enhance our efforts to ensure Rhode Islanders can meet their basic needs and achieve upward mobility,” said Flum.

In addition to his work at the EARN network, Doug has done state-level economic work at Kentucky Youth Advocates and CT Voices for Children. He has studied poverty and labor markets extensively, and has expertise in areas including retirement security, minimum wage, and economic development. Doug holds a Ph.D from Queen's University, a Master's degree from McMaster University, and an undergraduate degree from York University.

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