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## **PLAN Legislation/Regulatory Overview Alert:** PRESIDENT ISSUES PRO-LABOR EXECUTIVE ORDERS

For the second day in a row, President Obama has advanced measures on behalf of American workers. Citing a need to "level the playing field" for labor unions in their struggles with management, the President has signed Executive Orders mandating as follows:

- Requiring federal contractors to offer jobs to current workers when contracts change.
- Reversing a Bush administration order requiring federal contractors to post notice that workers can limit financial support of unions serving as their exclusive bargaining representatives.
- Preventing federal contractors from being reimbursed for expenses meant to influence workers deciding whether to form a union and engage in collective bargaining.