

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB3220

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Low-Wage Employer Cost Recoupment Act. Directs the Department of Labor to impose a surcharge upon employers that pay employees wages that are less than the amount that would disqualify a single person from being eligible for federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. Imposes a surcharge in an amount equal to the annual value of the amount of federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits for which a single person would be eligible multiplied by the number of employees whose wages do not disqualify a person from eligibility for federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning employment.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
- 5 Low-Wage Employer Cost Recoupment Act.
- 6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:
- 7 "Department" means the Department of Labor.
- 8 "Employee" means any individual employed or permitted to
- 9 work by an employer.
- "Employer" has the meaning ascribed to that term in the
- 11 Minimum Wage Law.
- "Wage" means compensation due to an employee by reason of
- 13 his or her employment.
- 14 Section 10. Low-wage employer surcharge.
- 15 (a) An employer that employs any employee (1) who was
- listed on the employer's payroll for at least 90 calendar days
- 17 prior to the completion of the most recent calendar quarter,
- beginning with the first calendar quarter of 2021 and (2) whose
- 19 wages paid by the employer during the quarter were less than
- 20 the amount that would disqualify a single person from being
- 21 eligible for federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- benefits shall pay a surcharge to the Department of Labor.

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- The Department shall determine the number of the 2 employer's employees whose wages are less than the amount that 3 would disqualify a single person from being eligible for
- federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. 4
- 5 The Director shall then impose a surcharge in the amount of the
- annual value of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program 6
- benefits for which a single person would be eligible multiplied 7
- 8 by the number of those employees.
- 9 (c) The Department shall notify the employer of the amount
- 10 of the surcharge no later than January 31, 2022 and each
- 11 January 31 thereafter.
- 12 Section 15. Payment of surcharge. An employer that has been
- notified of the imposition of a surcharge under Section 10 1.3
- 14 shall pay the surcharge to the Department in 10 equal monthly
- 15 installments due on the first day of each month beginning on
- 16 March 1 of each year.
- Section 20. Rulemaking authority. The Department may adopt 17
- 18 rules necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.
- 19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 20 becoming law.