

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 SB0667

Introduced 2/8/2007, by Sen. William R. Haine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

820 ILCS 130/4

from Ch. 48, par. 39s-4

Amends the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the public body or the Department of Labor shall make the revised prevailing rate of hourly wages available to the contractor and each subcontractor (rather than the public body being responsible to notify the contractor and each subcontractor of the revised rate). Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning employment.

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

Section 5. The Prevailing Wage Act is amended by changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (820 ILCS 130/4) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-4)

Sec. 4. (a) The public body awarding any contract for public work or otherwise undertaking any public works, shall ascertain the general prevailing rate of hourly wages in the locality in which the work is to be performed, for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract, and where the public body performs the work without letting a contract therefor, shall ascertain the prevailing rate of wages on a per hour basis in the locality, and such public body shall specify in the resolution or ordinance and in the call for bids for the contract, that the general prevailing rate of wages in the locality for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract or perform such work, also the general prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work, as ascertained by the public body or by the Department of Labor shall be paid for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the contract or to perform such work, and it shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded 1

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and upon any subcontractor under him, and where the public body performs the work, upon the public body, to pay not less than the specified rates to all laborers, workers and mechanics employed by them in the execution of the contract or such work; provided, however, that if the public body desires that the Department of Labor ascertain the prevailing rate of wages, it shall notify the Department of Labor to ascertain the general prevailing rate of hourly wages for work under contract, or for work performed by a public body without letting a contract as required in the locality in which the work is to be performed, for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract or project or work to be performed. Upon such notification the Department of Labor shall ascertain such general prevailing rate of wages, and certify the prevailing wage to such public body. The public body awarding the contract shall cause to be inserted in the project specifications and the contract a stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages as found by the public body or Department of Labor or determined by the court on review shall be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics performing work under the contract.

(b) It shall also be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded to insert into each subcontract and into the project specifications for each subcontract a written stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and

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mechanics performing work under the contract. It shall also be mandatory upon each subcontractor to cause to be inserted into tiered subcontract each lower and into the specifications for each lower tiered subcontract a stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and mechanics performing work under the contract. A contractor subcontractor who fails to comply with this subsection (b) is in violation of this Act.

- (c) It shall also require in all such contractor's bonds that the contractor include such provision as will guarantee the faithful performance of such prevailing wage clause as provided by contract. All bid specifications shall list the specified rates to all laborers, workers and mechanics in the locality for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract.
- (d) If the Department of Labor revises the prevailing rate of hourly wages to be paid by the public body, the revised rate shall apply to such contract. The, and the public body or the Department of Labor shall make the revised prevailing rate of hourly wages available to be responsible to notify the contractor and each subcontractor, of the revised rate.
- (e) Two or more investigatory hearings under this Section on the issue of establishing a new prevailing wage classification for a particular craft or type of worker shall be consolidated in a single hearing before the Department. Such

- 1 consolidation shall occur whether each separate investigatory
- 2 hearing is conducted by a public body or the Department. The
- 3 party requesting a consolidated investigatory hearing shall
- 4 have the burden of establishing that there is no existing
- 5 prevailing wage classification for the particular craft or type
- 6 of worker in any of the localities under consideration.
- 7 $\underline{\text{(f)}}$ It shall be mandatory upon the contractor or
- 8 construction manager to whom a contract for public works is
- 9 awarded to post, at a location on the project site of the
- 10 public works that is easily accessible to the workers engaged
- on the project, the prevailing wage rates for each craft or
- 12 type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract or
- project or work to be performed. A failure to post a prevailing
- 14 wage rate as required by this Section is a violation of this
- 15 Act.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 92-783, eff. 8-6-02; 93-15, eff. 6-11-03; 93-16,
- 17 eff. 1-1-04; 93-38, eff. 6-1-04; revised 10-29-04.)
- 18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 19 becoming law.