

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB1423

Introduced 2/11/2009, by Sen. Terry Link

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

820 ILCS 130/2 from Ch. 48, par. 39s-2 820 ILCS 130/3 from Ch. 48, par. 39s-3

Amends the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that laborers, workers, and mechanics directly employed by contractors or subcontractors in actual construction work on the site of the building or construction job shall be deemed to be employed upon public works. Provides for coverage of "the transportation of aggregate and excavated materials and equipment operated to haul to or from the site". Provides that to determine the prevailing wage rate for a laborer, worker, or mechanic engaged in the transportation of aggregate or excavated materials or the operation of equipment to haul aggregate or excavated materials to or from the site of the building or construction job, the Department of Labor shall take into consideration the applicable prevailing wage rate and the Illinois Department of Transportation's current method of establishing equipment rates. Provides that the transportation by the sellers and suppliers or the manufacture or processing of non-aggregate materials or equipment in the execution of any contract or contracts for public works with any public body shall not be deemed to be employment upon public works.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES ACT MAY REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT 1 AN ACT concerning labor.

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 Sections 2 and 3 as follows:
- 6 (820 ILCS 130/2) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-2)
- Sec. 2. This Act applies to the wages of laborers, mechanics and other workers employed in any public works, as hereinafter defined, by any public body and to anyone under contracts for public works. This includes any maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work performed on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented.
- 13 As used in this Act, unless the context indicates
 14 otherwise:
- "Public works" means all fixed works constructed by any 15 16 public body, other than work done directly by any public 17 utility company, whether or not done under public supervision or direction, or paid for wholly or in part out of public 18 19 funds. "Public works" as defined herein includes all projects 20 financed in whole or in part with bonds issued under the 21 Industrial Project Revenue Bond Act (Article 11, Division 74 of 22 the Illinois Municipal Code), the Industrial Building Revenue Bond Act, the Illinois Finance Authority Act, the Illinois 23

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Sports Facilities Authority Act, or the Build Illinois Bond Act, and all projects financed in whole or in part with loans or other funds made available pursuant to the Build Illinois Act. "Public works" also includes all projects financed in whole or in part with funds from the Fund for Illinois' Future under Section 6z-47 of the State Finance Act, funds for school construction under Section 5 of the General Obligation Bond authorized under Section 3 of funds t.he School Act, Construction Bond Act, funds for school infrastructure under Section 6z-45 of the State Finance Act, and funds for transportation purposes under Section 4 of the General Obligation Bond Act. "Public works" also includes all projects financed in whole or in part with funds from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity under the Illinois Renewable Fuels Development Program Act for which there is no project labor agreement. "Public works" also includes all projects at leased facility property used for airport purposes under Section 35 of the Local Government Facility Lease Act.

"Construction" means all work on public works involving laborers, workers or mechanics. This includes any maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work performed on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented.

"Locality" means the county where the physical work upon public works is performed, except (1) that if there is not available in the county a sufficient number of competent skilled laborers, workers and mechanics to construct the public works efficiently and properly, "locality" includes any other county nearest the one in which the work or construction is to be performed and from which such persons may be obtained in sufficient numbers to perform the work and (2) that, with respect to contracts for highway work with the Department of Transportation of this State, "locality" may at the discretion of the Secretary of the Department of Transportation be construed to include two or more adjacent counties from which workers may be accessible for work on such construction.

"Public body" means the State or any officer, board or commission of the State or any political subdivision or department thereof, or any institution supported in whole or in part by public funds, and includes every county, city, town, village, township, school district, irrigation, utility, reclamation improvement or other district and every other political subdivision, district or municipality of the state whether such political subdivision, municipality or district operates under a special charter or not.

The terms "general prevailing rate of hourly wages",

"general prevailing rate of wages" or "prevailing rate of

wages" when used in this Act mean the hourly cash wages plus

fringe benefits for training and apprenticeship programs

approved by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of

Apprenticeship and Training, health and welfare, insurance,

vacations and pensions paid generally, in the locality in which

the work is being performed, to employees engaged in work of a

- 1 similar character on public works.
- 2 "Aggregate materials" includes, but is not limited to,
- 3 rock, gravel, sand, pebbles, dirt, soil, clay, bitumen,
- 4 cultured/polymer, cement, concrete, asphalt, slag, grindings,
- 5 and recycled materials.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 94-750, eff. 5-9-06; 95-341, eff. 8-21-07.)
- 7 (820 ILCS 130/3) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-3)
- 8 Sec. 3. Not less than the general prevailing rate of hourly 9 wages for work of a similar character on public works in the 10 locality in which the work is performed, and not less than the 11 general prevailing rate of hourly wages for legal holiday and 12 overtime work, shall be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics employed by or on behalf of any public body engaged 1.3 14 in the construction of public works. This includes any 15 maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work performed 16 on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented. Laborers Only such laborers, workers and mechanics as are directly employed 17 by contractors or subcontractors in actual construction work on 18 19 the site of the building or construction job shall be deemed to 20 be employed upon public works. The site of the building or 21 construction job shall also include a facility dedicated to the 22 performance of the contract or project and located in such close proximity to the actual construction location that it 23 24 would be reasonable to include them. Laborers, and laborers, 25 workers and mechanics engaged in the transportation of

- 1 <u>aggregate and excavated</u> materials and equipment <u>operated to</u>
- 2 <u>haul</u> to or from the site, but not including the transportation
- 3 by the sellers and suppliers or the manufacture or processing
- 4 of materials or equipment, in the execution of any contract or
- 5 contracts for public works with any public body shall also be
- 6 deemed to be employed upon public works.
- 7 To determine the prevailing wage rate for a laborer,
- 8 worker, or mechanic engaged in the transportation of aggregate
- 9 or excavated materials or the operation of equipment to haul
- 10 aggregate or excavated materials to or from the site of the
- building or construction job, the Department of Labor shall
- take into consideration the applicable prevailing wage rate and
- the Illinois Department of Transportation's current method of
- 14 establishing equipment rates.
- The transportation by the sellers and suppliers or the
- 16 manufacture or processing of non-aggregate materials or
- 17 <u>equipment in the execution of any contract or contracts for</u>
- public works with any public body shall not be deemed to be
- 19 employment upon public works.
- The wage for a tradesman performing maintenance is
- 21 equivalent to that of a tradesman engaged in construction.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 95-341, eff. 8-21-07.)