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AN ACT concerning prevailing wages.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
changing Section 25-60 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 500/25-60)

Sec. 25-60. Prevailing wage requirements; retaliatory
<u>discharge of "whistleblowers" prohibited</u>.

9 (a) All services furnished under service contracts of 10 \$2,000 or more or \$200 or more per month and under printing 11 contracts shall be subject to the following prevailing wage 12 requirements:

13 (1) Not less than the general prevailing wage rate of hourly wages for work of a similar character in the 14 15 locality in which the work is produced shall be paid by 16 the successful vendor to its employees who perform the work on the State contracts. The bidder or offeror, in 17 18 order to be considered to be a responsible bidder or offeror for the purposes of this Code, shall certify to 19 20 the purchasing agency that wages to be paid to its employees are no less, and fringe benefits and working 21 22 conditions of employees are not less favorable, than those prevailing in the locality where the contract is to 23 be performed. Prevailing wages and working conditions 24 shall be determined by the Director of the Illinois 25 Department of Labor. 26

(2) Whenever a collective bargaining agreement is
in effect between an employer, other than a governmental
body, and service or printing employees as defined in
this Section who are represented by a responsible
organization that is in no way influenced or controlled

1 by the management, that agreement and its provisions 2 shall be considered as conditions prevalent in that 3 locality and shall be the minimum requirements taken into 4 consideration by the Director of Labor.

5 (3) Collective bargaining agreements between State 6 employees and the State of Illinois shall not be taken 7 into account by the Department of Labor in determining 8 the prevailing wage rate.

As used in this Section, "services" means janitorial 9 (b) cleaning services, window cleaning services, food services, 10 11 and security services. "Printing" means and includes all processes and operations involved in printing, including but 12 13 not limited to letterpress, offset, and gravure processes, the multilith method, photographic or other duplicating 14 15 process, the operations of composition, platemaking, 16 presswork, and binding, and the end products of those processes, methods, and operations. As used in this Code 17 "printing" does not include photocopiers used in the course 18 19 of normal business activities, photographic equipment used for geographic mapping, or printed matter that is commonly 20 21 available to the general public from contractor inventory.

22 (c) The terms "general prevailing rate of hourly wages", 23 "general prevailing rate of wages", or "prevailing rate of wages" when used in this Section shall have the meanings 24 25 ascribed to those terms in Section 2 of the Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/2). mean-the-hourly-cash-wages-plus--fringe 26 benefits--for--health--and-welfare,-insurance,-vacations,-and 27 pensions-paid-generally,-in-the-locality-in-which-the-work-is 28 29 being-performed,-to-employees-engaged-in-work--of--a--similar 30 eharacter.

31 (d) "Locality" shall have the meaning established by 32 rule.

33 (e) This Section does not apply to services furnished34 under contracts for professional or artistic services.

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(f) This Section does not apply to vocational programs of training for physically or mentally handicapped persons or to sheltered workshops for the severely disabled.

4 (g) No person shall discharge, discipline, in any other way discriminate against, or cause to be discharged, 5 disciplined, or discriminated against any employee or any 6 7 authorized representative of employees by reason of the fact that the employee or representative (i) has filed, 8 9 instituted, or caused to be filed or instituted any 10 proceeding alleging a violation of this Section, (ii) has 11 testified or is about to testify in any proceeding resulting from the administration or enforcement of this Section, or 12 (iii) offers any evidence of any violation of this Section. 13

(h) Any employee or a representative of employees who 14 15 believes that he or she has been discharged, disciplined, or 16 otherwise discriminated against by any person in violation of subsection (g) may, within 30 days after the alleged 17 violation occurs, apply to the Director of Labor for a review 18 of the discharge, discipline, or alleged discrimination. A 19 copy of the application shall be sent to the person who 20 allegedly committed the violation, who shall be the 21 respondent. Upon receipt of an application, the Director 22 shall cause an investigation to be made as he or she deems 23 appropriate. The investigation shall provide an opportunity 24 for a public hearing at the request of any party to the 25 review to enable the parties to present information relating 26 to the alleged violation. The parties shall be given written 27 notice of the time and place of the hearing at least 5 days 28 before the hearing. Upon receiving the report of the 29 investigation, the Director or his or her designee shall make 30 31 findings of fact. If the Director or his or her designee finds that a violation did occur, he or she shall issue a 32 decision incorporating his or her findings and requiring the 33 party committing the violation to take such affirmative 34

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1 action to abate the violation as the Director deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, the rehiring or 2 reinstatement of the employee or representative of employees 3 4 to his or her former position and compensating him or her for the time he or she was unemployed. If the Director finds that 5 there was no violation, he or she shall issue an order б denying the application. An order issued by the Director or 7 his or her designee under this Section shall be subject to 8 9 judicial review under the Administrative Review Law. (i) The Director of Labor shall adopt rules implementing 10 subsection (h) in accordance with the Illinois Administrative 11

12 <u>Procedure Act.</u>

13 (Source: P.A. 90-572, eff. date - See Sec. 99-5.)