

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB5344

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Construction Apprenticeship Program Act. Provides that, as a condition of engaging in a construction business in this State, a contractor must document proof of participation in an apprenticeship program approved by and registered with the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training. Imposes a penalty not to exceed \$5,000 for a first violation and a penalty not to exceed \$10,000 for subsequent violations. Provides for enforcement by the Department of Labor and authorizes the adoption of any rules necessary to implement the Act.

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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:

- 4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
- 5 Construction Apprenticeship Program Act.
- 6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:
- 7 "Apprentice" means a participant in an apprenticeship
- 8 program approved by and registered with the United States
- 9 Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.
- 10 "Apprenticeship program" means an apprenticeship and
- 11 training program approved by and registered with the United
- 12 States Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship and
- 13 Training.
- 14 "Construction" means any constructing, altering,
- 15 reconstructing, repairing, rehabilitating, refinishing,
- 16 refurbishing, remodeling, remediating, renovating, custom
- fabricating, maintenance, landscaping, improving, wrecking,
- 18 painting, decorating, demolishing, and adding to or
- 19 subtracting from any building, structure, highway, roadway,
- 20 street, bridge, alley, sewer, ditch, sewage disposal plant,
- 21 water works, parking facility, railroad, excavation or other
- 22 structure, project, development, real property, or
- improvement, or to do any part thereof, whether or not the

- 1 performance of the work herein described involves the addition
- 2 to, or fabrication into, any structure, project, development,
- 3 real property, or improvement herein described of any material
- 4 or article of merchandise. Construction also includes moving
- 5 construction related materials on the job site to or from the
- 6 job site.
- 7 "Contractor" means any individual, sole proprietor,
- 8 partnership, firm, corporation, limited liability company,
- 9 association or other legal entity permitted by law to do
- 10 business within the State of Illinois that engages in
- 11 construction as defined in this Act.
- "Department" means the Illinois Department of Labor.
- 13 Section 10. Apprenticeship program participation
- 14 mandatory. As a condition of transacting business in this
- 15 State, a contractor must document proof of participation in an
- 16 apprenticeship program.
- 17 Section 15. Enforcement.
- 18 (a) It is the duty of the Department to conduct
- 19 investigations related to any violations of this Act, institute
- 20 the actions for penalties provided under this Act, and to
- 21 enforce generally the provisions of this Act.
- 22 (b) A contractor found to be in violation of this Act is
- subject to a civil penalty in an amount not exceeding \$5,000
- for a first violation and a penalty in an amount not exceeding

- 1 \$10,000 for each subsequent violation.
- 2 (c) In the enforcement of this Act, the Department has the
- 3 powers granted to it under the Illinois Wage Payment and
- 4 Collection Act.
- 5 Section 20. Rules. The Department may adopt any rules
- 6 necessary to implement this Act.