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- AN ACT Relating to enforcing the payment of prevailing wages; and adding a new section to chapter 39.12 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 39.12 RCW 5 to read as follows:
 - (1) When a contractor or subcontractor quits business, sells out, exchanges, or otherwise disposes of the contractor or subcontractor's business, a successor entity is liable for a violation of this chapter by the contractor or subcontractor if the successor entity had actual or constructive notice of the violation at the time of the sale or conveyance.
 - (2) The successor liability under this section includes liability for unpaid prevailing wages and interests, as well as monetary and nonmonetary sanctions under RCW 39.12.050 and 39.12.065.
 - (3) An entity is a successor entity under this section if the contractor or subcontractor directly or indirectly sells or otherwise conveys in bulk and not in the ordinary course of business a substantial portion of its assets, whether tangible or intangible, to

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- 1 the entity. In determining whether an entity is a successor entity,
- 2 the department may consider factors including, but not limited to, the
- 3 following:
- 4 (a) Substantial continuity of the same business operation;
- 5 (b) Use of the same machinery or equipment;
- 6 (c) Similarity of jobs and working conditions;
- 7 (d) Continuity of supervisors;
- 8 (e) Use of the substantially same workforce; and
- 9 (f) Similarity of products or services.

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