
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5508

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By Senate Commerce & Labor (originally sponsored by Senators Hatfield and Shin)

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1 AN ACT Relating to prevailing wages on certain rural school
2 district projects; and amending RCW 39.12.020.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 39.12.020 and 2007 c 169 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The hourly wages to be paid to laborers, workers, or mechanics,
7 upon all public works and under all public building service maintenance
8 contracts of the state or any county, municipality or political
9 subdivision created by its laws, shall be not less than the prevailing
10 rate of wage for an hour's work in the same trade or occupation in the
11 locality within the state where such labor is performed. For a
12 contract in excess of ten thousand dollars, a contractor required to
13 pay the prevailing rate of wage shall post in a location readily
14 visible to workers at the job site: PROVIDED, That on road
15 construction, sewer line, pipeline, transmission line, street, or alley
16 improvement projects for which no field office is needed or
17 established, a contractor may post the prevailing rate of wage
18 statement at the contractor's local office, gravel crushing, concrete,

1 or asphalt batch plant as long as the contractor provides a copy of the
2 wage statement to any employee on request:

3 (1) A copy of a statement of intent to pay prevailing wages
4 approved by the industrial statistician of the department of labor and
5 industries under RCW 39.12.040; and

6 (2) The address and telephone number of the industrial statistician
7 of the department of labor and industries where a complaint or inquiry
8 concerning prevailing wages may be made.

9 This chapter shall not apply to workers or other persons regularly
10 employed by the state, or any county, municipality, or political
11 subdivision created by its laws. This chapter does not apply to public
12 works and public building service maintenance contracts of a rural
13 school district. For the purposes of this chapter, rural school
14 districts are those districts that are located in a county with a
15 population less than fifty thousand and that have a total enrollment of
16 less than four hundred students, excluding students receiving
17 instruction through alternative learning experience online programs as
18 defined in RCW 28A.150.262, as reported to the office of the
19 superintendent of public instruction for the academic year immediately
20 preceding the date the school district opens the public bidding process
21 for the public works project or public building service maintenance
22 contract.

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