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**SYNOPSIS**

Includes duct cleaning as maintenance work subject to the prevailing wage law.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning duct work and amending P.L.1963, c.150.

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3 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
4 of New Jersey:

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6 1. Section 2 of P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-56.26) is amended to  
7 read as follows:

8 2. As used in this act:

9 (1) "Department" means the Department of Labor and  
10 Workforce Development of the State of New Jersey.

11 (2) "Locality" means any political subdivision of the State,  
12 combination of the same or parts thereof, or any geographical area  
13 or areas classified, designated and fixed by the commissioner from  
14 time to time, provided that in determining the "locality," the  
15 commissioner shall be guided by the boundary lines of political  
16 subdivisions or parts thereof, or by a consideration of the areas with  
17 respect to which it has been the practice of employers of particular  
18 crafts or trades to engage in collective bargaining with the  
19 representatives of workers in such craft or trade

20 (3) "Maintenance work" means the repair of existing facilities  
21 when the size, type or extent of such facilities is not thereby  
22 changed or increased. "Maintenance work" also means any work on  
23 a maintenance-related project that exceeds the scope of work and  
24 capabilities of in-house maintenance personnel, requires the  
25 solicitation of bids, and has an aggregate value exceeding \$50,000

26 (4) "Public body" means the State of New Jersey, any of its  
27 political subdivisions, any authority created by the Legislature of  
28 the State of New Jersey and any instrumentality or agency of the  
29 State of New Jersey or of any of its political subdivisions

30 (5) "Public work" means construction, reconstruction,  
31 demolition, alteration, custom fabrication or repair work, or  
32 maintenance work, including duct cleaning, painting, and  
33 decorating, done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out  
34 of the funds of a public body, except work performed under a  
35 rehabilitation program. "Public work" shall also mean construction,  
36 reconstruction, demolition, alteration, custom fabrication or repair  
37 work, done on any property or premises, whether or not the work is  
38 paid for from public funds, if, at the time of the entering into of the  
39 contract the property or premises is owned by the public body or

40 (a) Not less than 55% of the property or premises is leased by a  
41 public body, or is subject to an agreement to be subsequently leased  
42 by the public body; an

43 (b) The portion of the property or premises that is leased or  
44 subject to an agreement to be subsequently leased by the public  
45 body measures more than 20,000 square feet.

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is  
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 (6) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Labor and  
2 Workforce Development or his duly authorized representatives.

3 (7) "Workman" or "worker" includes laborer, mechanic, skilled  
4 or semi-skilled, laborer and apprentices or helpers employed by any  
5 contractor or subcontractor and engaged in the performance of  
6 services directly upon a public work, regardless of whether their  
7 work becomes a component part thereof, but does not include  
8 material suppliers or their employees who do not perform services  
9 at the job site. For the purpose of P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-56.25  
10 et seq.), contractors or subcontractors engaged in custom fabrication  
11 shall not be regarded as material suppliers.

12 (8) "Work performed under a rehabilitation program" means  
13 work arranged by and at a State institution primarily for teaching  
14 and upgrading the skills and employment opportunities of the  
15 inmates of such institutions.

16 (9) "Prevailing wage" means the wage rate paid by virtue of  
17 collective bargaining agreements by employers employing a  
18 majority of workers of that craft or trade subject to said collective  
19 bargaining agreements, in the locality in which the public work is  
20 done.

21 (10) "Act" means the provisions of P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-  
22 56.25 et seq.) and the rules and regulations issued hereunder.

23 (11) "Prevailing wage contract threshold amount" means:

24 (a) In the case of any public work paid for in whole or in part  
25 out of the funds of a municipality in the State of New Jersey or  
26 done on property or premises owned by a public body or leased or  
27 to be leased by the municipality, the dollar amount established for  
28 the then current calendar year by the commissioner through rules  
29 and regulations promulgated pursuant to the "Administrative  
30 Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), which  
31 amount shall be equal to \$9,850 on July 1, 1994 and which amount  
32 shall be adjusted on July 1 every five calendar years thereafter in  
33 direct proportion to the rise or fall in the average of the Consumer  
34 Price Indices for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the  
35 New York metropolitan and the Philadelphia metropolitan regions  
36 as reported by the United States Department of Labor during the  
37 last full calendar year preceding the date upon which the adjustment  
38 is made; and

39 (b) In the case of any public work other than a public work  
40 described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, an amount equal to  
41 \$2,000.

42 (12) "Custom fabrication" means:

43 (a) the fabrication of any of the following: plumbing, heating,  
44 cooling, ventilation or exhaust duct systems, mechanical insulation,  
45 or one or more signs in a project which cost a total of more than  
46 \$30,000 and are part of a project upon completion; or

47 (b) any other fabrication which is either of components or  
48 structures pre-fabricated to specifications for a particular project of

1 public work or of other materials finished into components without  
2 further modification for use in a project of public work or for use in  
3 a type or classification of a project of public work.  
4 (cf: P.L.2021, c.253)

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6 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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11 This bill includes duct cleaning as maintenance work which is  
12 subject to the provisions of the "New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act,"  
13 P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-56.25 et seq.).