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C.2C:21-2.5
and Note to
C.34:11-56.25,
C.34:11-56.44,
C.34:11-56.52,
and C.52:17B-106

P.L. 2025, CHAPTER 356, *approved January 20, 2026*
Assembly, No. 4374 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT establishing criminal penalties for certain violations of the
2 “New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act” and supplementing Title 2C
3 of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. a. It shall be a crime of the fourth degree for an employer to:
9 (1) knowingly falsify a certified payroll record or other record
10 required pursuant to the provisions of the “New Jersey Prevailing
11 Wage Act,” P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-56.25 et seq.); or

12 (2) ¹**【willfully】** knowingly¹ make, or cause to be made, a false,
13 deceptive, or fraudulent statement on a public works contractor
14 registration form in connection with the requirements pursuant to
15 section 5 of P.L.1999, c.238 (C.34:11-56.52).

16 b. A county prosecutor or the Commissioner of Labor and
17 Workforce Development, as appropriate, shall notify the Attorney
18 General that a violation of this section has occurred so that the
19 Attorney General may make a determination regarding whether to
20 exercise the authority granted to the Attorney General pursuant to
21 section 10 of P.L.1970, c.74 (C.52:17B-106) to supersede a county
22 prosecutor for the purpose of prosecuting or investigating the
23 violation or, if appropriate, to refer the case to the county
24 prosecutor for investigation and prosecution or other appropriate
25 legal action.

26 c. A penalty imposed pursuant to this section shall be in
27 addition to any other penalty that may be imposed in connection
28 with the offense.

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30 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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35 Establishes criminal penalties for certain violations of the “New
36 Jersey Prevailing Wage Act.”

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.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
¹Assembly AJU committee amendments adopted May 8, 2025.