1 AN ACT concerning employment.

## 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Prevailing Wage Act is amended by changing 5 Sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 11, and 11b as follows:

6 (820 ILCS 130/2) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-2)

Sec. 2. <u>Applicability; definitions.</u> This Act applies to the wages of laborers, mechanics and other workers employed in any public works, as hereinafter defined, by any public body and to anyone under contracts for public works. This includes any maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work performed on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented.

13 As used in this Act, unless the context indicates 14 otherwise:

"Public works" means all fixed works constructed by any 15 16 public body, other than work done directly by any public 17 utility company, whether or not done under public supervision or direction, or paid for wholly or in part out of public 18 19 funds. "Public works" as defined herein includes all projects 20 financed in whole or in part with bonds issued under the Industrial Project Revenue Bond Act (Article 11, Division 74 of 21 the Illinois Municipal Code), the Industrial Building Revenue 22 Bond Act, the Illinois Finance Authority Act, the Illinois 23

Sports Facilities Authority Act, or the Build Illinois Bond 1 2 Act, and all projects financed in whole or in part with loans 3 or other funds made available pursuant to the Build Illinois Act. "Public works" also includes all projects financed in 4 5 whole or in part with funds from the Fund for Illinois' Future under Section 6z-47 of the State Finance Act, funds for school 6 7 construction under Section 5 of the General Obligation Bond authorized under Section 3 of 8 funds the School Act, 9 Construction Bond Act, funds for school infrastructure under 10 Section 6z-45 of the State Finance Act, and funds for 11 transportation purposes under Section 4 of the General 12 Obligation Bond Act. "Public works" also includes all projects financed in whole or in part with funds from the Department of 13 14 Commerce and Economic Opportunity under the Illinois Renewable 15 Fuels Development Program Act for which there is no project 16 labor agreement. "Public works" also includes all projects at 17 leased facility property used for airport purposes under Section 35 of the Local Government Facility Lease Act. Public 18 19 works" also includes (1) all projects located in an enterprise 20 zone as defined in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, excepting 21 projects performed by a business enterprise located in an 22 enterprise zone where that business enterprise existed prior to 23 the adoption of an initiating ordinance pursuant to subsection 24 (a) of Section 5 of the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, or 25 projects located in an economic development project area as defined in the Economic Development Project Area Tax Increment 26

SB0043 Engrossed - 3 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

Allocation Act of 1995, excepting projects performed by a 1 2 business enterprise located in an economic development project 3 area where that business enterprise existed prior to a municipality initiating an economic development plan as 4 5 defined in the Economic Development Project Area Tax Increment Allocation Act of 1995, or (2) regardless of the exceptions 6 7 contained in clause (1), any project that will derive a financial benefit, in whole or in part, from loans, grants, 8 9 subsidies, incentives, or other financial benefit made 10 available pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or the 11 Economic Development Project Area. Provided however, "public 12 works" shall not include projects at an owner-occupied single family residence, excepting single-family tract housing, or at 13 14 an owner-occupied multi-family residence with 6 or fewer units located in an enterprise zone or an economic development 15 16 project area.

"Construction" means all work on public works involving laborers, workers or mechanics. This includes any maintenance, repair, assembly, or disassembly work performed on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented.

"Locality" means the county where the physical work upon public works is performed, except (1) that if there is not available in the county a sufficient number of competent skilled laborers, workers and mechanics to construct the public works efficiently and properly, "locality" includes any other county nearest the one in which the work or construction is to SB0043 Engrossed - 4 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

1 be performed and from which such persons may be obtained in 2 sufficient numbers to perform the work and (2) that, with 3 respect to contracts for highway work with the Department of 4 Transportation of this State, "locality" may at the discretion 5 of the Secretary of the Department of Transportation be 6 construed to include two or more adjacent counties from which 7 workers may be accessible for work on such construction.

8 "Public body" means the State or any officer, board or 9 commission of the State or any political subdivision or 10 department thereof, or any institution supported in whole or in 11 part by public funds, and includes every county, city, town, 12 village, township, school district, irrigation, utility, 13 reclamation improvement or other district and every other political subdivision, district or municipality of the state 14 whether such political subdivision, municipality or district 15 16 operates under a special charter or not.

17 The terms "general prevailing rate of hourly wages", "general prevailing rate of wages" or "prevailing rate of 18 19 wages" when used in this Act mean the hourly cash wages plus 20 fringe benefits for training and apprenticeship programs approved by the U.S. 21 Department of Labor, Bureau of 22 Apprenticeship and Training, health and welfare, insurance, 23 vacations and pensions paid generally, in the locality in which the work is being performed, to employees engaged in work of a 24 25 similar character on public works.

26 <u>"Contractor" or "subcontractor" means any person or entity</u>

SB0043 Engrossed - 5 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

who undertakes to, offers to undertake to, purports to have the
 capacity to undertake to, submits a bid to, or does himself or
 herself or by or through others, engage in public works.

4 (Source: P.A. 94-750, eff. 5-9-06; 95-341, eff. 8-21-07.)

5 (820 ILCS 130/3) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-3)

Sec. 3. <u>Requirements to pay prevailing wage.</u> Not less than 6 the general prevailing rate of hourly wages for work of a 7 8 similar character on public works in the locality in which the 9 work is performed, and not less than the general prevailing 10 rate of hourly wages for legal holiday and overtime work, shall 11 be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics employed by or 12 on behalf of any public body engaged in the construction of 13 public works. This includes any maintenance, repair, assembly, 14 or disassembly work performed on equipment whether owned, leased, or rented. Laborers Only such laborers, workers, and 15 16 mechanics as are directly employed by contractors or subcontractors in actual construction work on the site of the 17 building or construction job shall be deemed to be employed 18 upon public works. Laborers, and laborers, workers, 19 and 20 mechanics engaged in the transportation of materials and 21 equipment to or from the site, but not including the 22 transportation by the sellers and suppliers or the manufacture or processing of materials or equipment, in the execution of 23 24 any contract or contracts for public works with any public body 25 shall also be deemed to be employed upon public works. The wage SB0043 Engrossed - 6 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

for a tradesman performing maintenance is equivalent to that of a tradesman engaged in construction. <u>All contractors and</u> <u>subcontractors required to pay the prevailing wage under this</u> <u>Act shall make payment of such wages in legal tender, without</u> <u>any deduction for food, sleeping accommodations,</u> <u>transportation, use of tools, or any other thing of any kind or</u> <u>description.</u>

8 (Source: P.A. 95-341, eff. 8-21-07.)

9 (820 ILCS 130/4) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-4)

10

Sec. 4. Ascertaining prevailing wage; compliance.

11 (a) The public body awarding any contract for public works 12 work or otherwise undertaking any public works, shall ascertain the general prevailing rate of hourly wages in the locality in 13 14 which the work is to be performed, for each craft or type of 15 worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract, and where 16 the public body performs the work without letting a contract therefor, shall ascertain the prevailing rate of wages on a per 17 18 hour basis in the locality. Such , and such public body shall 19 specify in the resolution or ordinance and in the call for bids 20 for the contract, that the general prevailing rate of wages in 21 the locality for each craft or type of worker or mechanic 22 needed to execute the contract or perform such work, also the general prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work, as 23 24 ascertained by the public body or by the Department of Labor 25 shall be paid for each craft or type of worker needed to

SB0043 Engrossed - 7 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

1

execute the contract or to perform such work $_{\cdot}$  , and it

2 (a-1) It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded and upon any subcontractor under him, and 3 where the public body performs the work, upon the public body, 4 5 to pay not less than the specified rates to all laborers, workers and mechanics employed by them in the execution of the 6 contract or such work; provided, however, that if the public 7 8 body desires that the Department of Labor ascertain the 9 prevailing rate of wages, it shall notify the Department of 10 Labor to ascertain the general prevailing rate of hourly wages 11 for work under contract, or for work performed by a public body 12 without letting a contract as required in the locality in which the work is to be performed, for each craft or type of worker 13 14 or mechanic needed to execute the contract or project or work 15 to be performed. Upon such notification the Department of Labor 16 shall ascertain such general prevailing rate of wages, and 17 certify the prevailing wage to such public body.

18 <u>(a-2)</u> The public body <u>or other entity</u> awarding the contract 19 shall cause to be inserted in the project specifications and 20 the contract a stipulation to the effect that not less than the 21 prevailing rate of wages as found by the public body or 22 Department of Labor or determined by the court on review shall 23 be paid to all laborers, workers and mechanics performing work 24 under the contract.

25 (a-3) When a public body or other entity covered by this
 26 Act has awarded work to a contractor without a public bid,

SB0043 Engrossed - 8 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

contract or project specification, such public body or other 1 2 entity shall comply with subsection (a-2) by providing the 3 contractor with written notice on the purchase order related to the work to be done or on a separate document indicating that 4 5 not less than the prevailing rate of wages as found by the public body or Department of Labor or determined by the court 6 7 on review shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and mechanics 8 performing work on the project.

9 (a-4) Where a complaint is made and the Department of Labor 10 determines that a violation occurred, the Department of Labor 11 shall determine if proper written notice under this Section 4 12 was given. If proper written notice was not provided to the contractor by the public body or other entity, the Department 13 14 of Labor shall order the public body or other entity to pay any interest, penalties or fines that would have been owed by the 15 16 contractor if proper written notice were provided. The failure 17 by a public body or other entity to provide written notice does not relieve the contractor of the duty to comply with the 18 19 prevailing wage rate, nor of the obligation to pay any back 20 wages, as determined under this Act. For the purposes of this subsection, back wages shall be limited to the difference 21 22 between the actual amount paid and the prevailing rate of wages 23 required to be paid for the project. The failure of a public 24 body or other entity to provide written notice under this 25 Section 4 does not diminish the right of a laborer, worker, or mechanic to the prevailing rate of wages as determined under 26

#### 1 this Act.

2 (b) It shall also be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded to insert into each subcontract and 3 into the project specifications for each subcontract a written 4 5 stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing 6 rate of wages shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and mechanics performing work under the contract. It shall also be 7 mandatory upon each subcontractor to cause to be inserted into 8 9 each lower tiered subcontract and into the project 10 specifications for each lower tiered subcontract a stipulation 11 to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages 12 shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and mechanics 13 performing work under the contract. A contractor or subcontractor who fails to comply with this subsection (b) is 14 15 in violation of this Act.

16 (b-1) When a contractor has awarded work to a subcontractor 17 without a contract or contract specification, the contractor shall comply with subsection (b) by providing a subcontractor 18 19 with a written statement indicating that not less than the 20 prevailing rate of wages shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and mechanics performing work on the project. A 21 22 contractor or subcontractor who fails to comply with this 23 subsection (b-1) is in violation of this Act.

24 (b-2) Where a complaint is made and the Department of Labor 25 determines that a violation has occurred, the Department of 26 Labor shall determine if proper written notice under this SB0043 Engrossed - 10 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

Section 4 was given. If proper written notice was not provided 1 2 to the subcontractor by the contractor, the Department of Labor 3 shall order the contractor to pay any interest, penalties, or fines that would have been owed by the subcontractor if proper 4 5 written notice were provided. The failure by a contractor to provide written notice to a subcontractor does not relieve the 6 7 subcontractor of the duty to comply with the prevailing wage 8 rate, nor of the obligation to pay any back wages, as 9 determined under this Act. For the purposes of this subsection, 10 back wages shall be limited to the difference between the 11 actual amount paid and the prevailing rate of wages required 12 for the project. However, if proper written notice was not provided to the contractor by the public body or other entity 13 14 under this Section 4, the Department of Labor shall order the 15 public body or other entity to pay any interest, penalties, or 16 fines that would have been owed by the subcontractor if proper 17 written notice were provided. The failure by a public body or other entity to provide written notice does not relieve the 18 19 subcontractor of the duty to comply with the prevailing wage 20 rate, nor of the obligation to pay any back wages, as 21 determined under this Act. For the purposes of this subsection, 22 back wages shall be limited to the difference between the 23 actual amount paid and the prevailing rate of wages required 24 for the project. The failure to provide written notice by a 25 public body, other entity, or contractor does not diminish the right of a laborer, worker, or mechanic to the prevailing rate 26

SB0043 Engrossed - 11 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

1

### of wages as determined under this Act.

2 (c) A public body or other entity <del>It</del> shall also require in all contractor's and subcontractor's such contractor's bonds 3 4 that the contractor or subcontractor include such provision as 5 will guarantee the faithful performance of such prevailing wage 6 clause as provided by contract or other written instrument. All 7 bid specifications shall list the specified rates to all laborers, workers and mechanics in the locality for each craft 8 9 or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract.

10 (d) If the Department of Labor revises the prevailing rate 11 of hourly wages to be paid by the public body, the revised rate 12 shall apply to such contract. The Department of Labor shall make the revised rate available on its official website and 13 14 such posting on the website shall be deemed notice to the 15 contractor or subcontractor of the revised rate. The contractor 16 or subcontractor shall be responsible to pay the revised rate -17 and the public body shall be responsible to notify the contractor and each subcontractor, of the revised rate. 18

19 (e) (Blank) Two or more investigatory hearings under this Section on the issue of establishing a new prevailing wage 20 21 classification for a particular craft or type of worker shall 22 be consolidated in a single hearing before the Department. Such 23 consolidation shall occur whether each separate investigatory hearing is conducted by a public body or the Department. The 24 25 party requesting a consolidated investigatory hearing shall 26 have the burden of establishing that there is no -existing SB0043 Engrossed - 12 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

# prevailing wage classification for the particular craft or type of worker in any of the localities under consideration.

(f) 3 shall be mandatory upon the contractor Ιt or 4 construction manager to whom a contract for public works is 5 awarded to post, at a location on the project site of the public works that is easily accessible to the workers engaged 6 7 on the project, the prevailing wage rates for each craft or type of worker or mechanic needed to execute the contract or 8 9 project or work to be performed. In lieu of posting on the 10 project site of the public works, a contractor which has a 11 business location where laborers, workers, and mechanics 12 regularly visit may: (1) post in a conspicuous location at that 13 business the current prevailing wage rates for each county in 14 which the contractor is performing work; or (2) provide such laborer, worker, or mechanic engaged on the public works 15 16 project a written notice indicating the prevailing wage rates 17 for the public works project. A failure to post or provide a prevailing wage rate as required by this Section is a violation 18 of this Act. 19

20 (g) Beginning January 1, 2010, every public body awarding 21 any contract for a public works project or otherwise 22 undertaking any public works project shall notify the 23 Department of Labor in writing, on a form prescribed by the 24 Department of Labor, whenever a project subject to the 25 provisions of this Act is awarded or undertaken. The 26 notification mentioned herein shall be filed with the SB0043 Engrossed - 13 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

Department of Labor within 30 days after such contract is awarded or within 30 days before commencement of a public works project, and shall include a list of all first-tier subcontractors.
(Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

6 (820 ILCS 130/6) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-6)

7 Sec. 6. Penalties. Any officer, agent or representative of 8 any public body who wilfully violates, or omits to comply with, 9 any of the provisions of this Act, and any contractor or 10 subcontractor, or agent or representative thereof, doing 11 public work as aforesaid, who wilfully violates, or omits to 12 comply with, any of the provisions of this Act neglects <del>+ 0</del> keep, or cause to be kept, an accurate record of the names, 13 14 occupation and actual wages paid to each laborer, worker and 15 mechanic employed by him, in connection with the public work or 16 who refuses to allow access to same at any reasonable hour to any person authorized to inspect same under this Act, is quilty 17 18 of a Class A misdemeanor.

The Department of Labor shall inquire diligently as to any violation of this Act, shall institute actions for penalties herein prescribed, and shall enforce generally the provisions of this Act. The Attorney General shall prosecute such cases upon complaint by the Department or any interested person.

24 (Source: P.A. 94-488, eff. 1-1-06.)

SB0043 Engrossed - 14 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

1

(820 ILCS 130/9) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-9)

2 Sec. 9. Duties of the Department of Labor and public 3 bodies. To effectuate the purpose and policy of this Act each public body shall, during the month of June of each calendar 4 5 year, investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as 6 defined in this Act and publicly post or keep available for 7 inspection by any interested party in the main office of such public body its determination of such prevailing rate of wage 8 9 and shall promptly file, no later than July 15 of each year, a 10 certified copy thereof in the office of the Secretary of State 11 at Springfield and the office of the Illinois Department of 12 Labor.

13 The Department of Labor shall during the month of June of 14 each calendar year, investigate and ascertain the prevailing 15 rate of wages for each county in the State. If a public body 16 does not investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages 17 during the month of June as required by the previous paragraph, then the prevailing rate of wages for that public body shall be 18 the rate as determined by the Department under this paragraph 19 20 for the county in which such public body is located.

21 Where the Department of Labor ascertains the prevailing 22 rate of wages, it is the duty of the Department of Labor within 23 30 days after receiving a notice from the public body 24 authorizing the proposed work, to conduct an investigation to 25 ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as defined in this Act 26 and such investigation shall be conducted in the locality in SB0043 Engrossed - 15 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

which the work is to be performed. The Department of Labor shall send a certified copy of its findings to the public body authorizing the work and keep a record of its findings available for inspection by any interested party in the office of the Department of Labor at Springfield.

6 The public body except for the Department of Transportation 7 with respect to highway contracts shall within 30 days after 8 filing with the Secretary of State, or the Department of Labor 9 shall within 30 days after filing with such public body, 10 publish in a newspaper of general circulation within the area 11 that the determination is effective, a notice of its 12 determination shall promptly mail a and copy of its 13 determination to any employer, and to any association of 14 employers and to any person or association of employees who 15 have filed their names and addresses, requesting copies of any 16 determination stating the particular rates and the particular 17 class of workers whose wages will be affected by such rates.

At any time within 30 days after the Department of Labor 18 has published on its official web site a prevailing wage 19 20 schedule, any person affected thereby may object in writing to the determination or such part thereof as they may deem 21 22 objectionable by filing a written notice with the public body 23 or Department of Labor, whichever has made such determination, stating the specified grounds of the objection. It shall 24 25 thereafter be the duty of the public body or Department of 26 Labor to set a date for a hearing on the objection after giving

written notice to the objectors at least 10 days before the 1 2 date of the hearing and said notice shall state the time and place of such hearing. Such hearing by a public body shall be 3 4 held within 45 days after the objection is filed, and shall not 5 be postponed or reset for a later date except upon the consent, 6 in writing, of all the objectors and the public body. If such hearing is not held by the public body within the time herein 7 specified, the Department of Labor may, upon request of the 8 9 objectors, conduct the hearing on behalf of the public body.

10 The public body or Department of Labor, whichever has made 11 such determination, is authorized in its discretion to hear 12 each timely filed written objection. Two or more hearings under 13 this Section on the issue of establishing a new prevailing wage 14 classification for a particular craft or type of worker shall 15 be consolidated in a single hearing before the Department. Such 16 consolidation shall occur whether each separate hearing is 17 conducted by a public body or the Department. The party requesting a consolidated hearing shall have the burden of 18 19 establishing that there is no existing prevailing wage 20 classification for the particular craft or type of worker in any of the localities under consideration filed separately or 21 22 consolidate for hearing any one or more written objections 23 filed with them. At any such hearing the public body or Department of Labor shall introduce 24 in evidence the 25 investigation it instituted which formed the basis of its 26 determination, and the public body or Department of Labor, or

SB0043 Engrossed - 17 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

objectors may thereafter introduce 1 any interested such 2 evidence as is material to the issue. Thereafter, the public 3 body or Department of Labor, must rule upon the written objection and make such final determination as it believes the 4 5 evidence warrants, and promptly file a certified copy of its 6 final determination with such public body and the Secretary of 7 State, and serve a copy by personal service or registered mail 8 on all parties to the proceedings. The final determination by 9 the Department of Labor or a public body shall be rendered 10 within 30 days after the conclusion of the hearing.

11 If proceedings to review judicially the final 12 determination of the public body or Department of Labor are not 13 instituted as hereafter provided, such determination shall be 14 final and binding.

The provisions of the Administrative Review Law, and all amendments and modifications thereof, and the rules adopted pursuant thereto, shall apply to and govern all proceedings for the judicial review of final administrative decisions of any public body or the Department of Labor hereunder. The term "administrative decision" is defined as in Section 3-101 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Appeals from all final orders and judgments entered by the court in review of the final administrative decision of the public body or Department of Labor, may be taken by any party to the action.

26

Any proceeding in any court affecting a determination of

SB0043 Engrossed - 18 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

the Department of Labor or public body shall have priority in hearing and determination over all other civil proceedings pending in said court, except election contests.

In all reviews or appeals under this Act, it shall be the duty of the Attorney General to represent the Department of Labor, and defend its determination. The Attorney General shall not represent any public body, except the State, in any such review or appeal.

9 (Source: P.A. 93-38, eff. 6-1-04.)

10 (820 ILCS 130/11) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-11)

11

### Sec. 11. Failure to comply; civil remedies.

12 (a) No public works project shall be instituted unless the 13 provisions of this Act have been complied with. The provisions 14 of this Act shall not be applicable to Federal construction 15 projects which require a prevailing wage determination by the 16 United States Secretary of Labor. The Illinois Department of Labor represented by the Attorney General is empowered to sue 17 18 for injunctive relief against the awarding of any contract or 19 the continuation of work under any contract for public works at 20 a time when the prevailing wage prerequisites have not been 21 met. Any contract for public works awarded at a time when the 22 prevailing wage prerequisites had not been met shall be void as against public policy and the contractor is prohibited from 23 24 recovering any damages for the voiding of the contract or pursuant to the terms of the contract. The contractor is 25

SB0043 Engrossed - 19 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

limited to a claim for amounts actually paid for labor and 1 2 materials supplied to the public body. Where objections to a 3 determination of the prevailing rate of wages or a court action relative thereto is pending, the public body shall not continue 4 5 work on the project unless sufficient funds are available to pay increased wages if such are finally determined or unless 6 7 the Department of Labor certifies such determination of the 8 prevailing rate of wages as correct.

9 Any laborer, worker or mechanic employed by the contractor 10 or by any sub-contractor under him who is paid for his services 11 in a sum less than the stipulated rates for work done under 12 such contract, shall have a right of action for whatever 13 difference there may be between the amount so paid, and the 14 prevailing rate of wages required to be paid on the public works project rates provided by the contract together with 15 16 costs and such reasonable attorney's fees as shall be allowed 17 by the court. Such contractor or subcontractor shall also be liable to the Department of Labor for 20% of such underpayments 18 19 and shall be additionally liable to the laborer, worker or 20 mechanic for punitive damages in the amount of 2% of the amount of any such penalty to the State for underpayments for each 21 22 month following the date of payment during which such 23 underpayments remain unpaid. Where a second or subsequent 24 action to recover underpayments is brought against a contractor 25 or subcontractor and the contractor or subcontractor is found 26 liable for underpayments to any laborer, worker, or mechanic,

SB0043 Engrossed - 20 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

the contractor or subcontractor shall also be liable to the 1 2 Department of Labor for 50% of the underpayments payable as a 3 result of the second or subsequent action, and shall be additionally liable to the laborer, worker, or mechanic for 4 5 punitive damages in the amount of for 5% of the amount of any 6 such penalty to the State for underpayments for each month 7 following the date of payment during which the underpayments 8 remain unpaid. The Department shall also have a right of action 9 on behalf of any individual who has a right of action under 10 this Section. An action brought to recover same shall be deemed 11 to be a suit for wages, and any and all judgments entered 12 therein shall have the same force and effect as other judgments for wages. At the request of any laborer, workman or mechanic 13 14 employed by the contractor or by any subcontractor under him 15 who is paid less than the prevailing wage rate required by this 16 Act, the Department of Labor may take an assignment of such 17 wage claim in trust for the assigning laborer, workman or mechanic and may bring any legal action necessary to collect 18 19 such claim, and the contractor or subcontractor shall be 20 required to pay the costs incurred in collecting such claim.

(b) The Director of the Department of Labor shall publish in the Illinois Register no less often than once each calendar guarter a list of contractors or subcontractors found to have disregarded their obligations to employees under this Act. The Department of Labor shall determine the contractors or subcontractors who, on 2 separate occasions within 5 years, SB0043 Engrossed - 21 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

1	have been determined to have violated the provisions of this
2	Act. Upon such determinations the Department shall notify the
3	violating contractor or subcontractor. Such contractor or
4	subcontractor shall then have 10 working days to request a
5	hearing by the Department on the alleged violations. Failure to
6	respond within the 10-working-day period shall result in
7	automatic and immediate placement and publication on the list.
8	If the contractor or subcontractor requests a hearing within
9	the 10-working-day period, the Director shall set a hearing on
10	the alleged violations. Such hearing shall take place no later
11	than 45 calendar days after the receipt by the Department of
11 12	than 45 calendar days after the receipt by the Department of Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is
12	Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is
12 13	Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is empowered to promulgate, adopt, amend, and rescind rules and
12 13 14	Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is empowered to promulgate, adopt, amend, and rescind rules and regulations to govern the hearing procedure. No contract shall
12 13 14 15	Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is empowered to promulgate, adopt, amend, and rescind rules and regulations to govern the hearing procedure. No contract shall be awarded to a contractor or subcontractor appearing on the
12 13 14 15 16	Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is empowered to promulgate, adopt, amend, and rescind rules and regulations to govern the hearing procedure. No contract shall be awarded to a contractor or subcontractor appearing on the list, or to any firm, corporation, partnership, or association
12 13 14 15 16 17	Labor of the request for a hearing. The Department of Labor is empowered to promulgate, adopt, amend, and rescind rules and regulations to govern the hearing procedure. No contract shall be awarded to a contractor or subcontractor appearing on the list, or to any firm, corporation, partnership, or association in which such contractor or subcontractor has an interest,

21 (820 ILCS 130/11b)

22 Sec. 11b. Discharge or discipline of "whistle blowers" 23 prohibited.

24 (a) No person shall discharge, discipline, or in any other25 way discriminate against, or cause to be discharged,

SB0043 Engrossed - 22 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

disciplined, or discriminated against, any employee or any authorized representative of employees by reason of the fact that the employee or representative has filed, instituted, or caused to be filed or instituted any proceeding under this Act, or has testified or is about to testify in any proceeding resulting from the administration or enforcement of this Act, or offers any evidence of any violation of this Act.

8 (b) Any employee or a representative of employees who 9 believes that he has been discharged, disciplined, or otherwise 10 discriminated against by any person in violation of subsection 11 (a) of this Section may, within 60  $\frac{30}{20}$  days after the alleged 12 violation occurs, apply to the Director of Labor for a review of the discharge, discipline, or alleged discrimination. A copy 13 14 of the application shall be sent to the person who allegedly 15 committed the violation, who shall be the respondent. Upon 16 receipt of an application, the Director shall cause such 17 investigation to be made as he or she deems appropriate. The investigation shall provide an opportunity for a public hearing 18 at the request of any party to the review to enable the parties 19 20 to present information relating to the alleged violation. The parties shall be given written notice of the time and place of 21 22 the hearing at least 30 - 5 days before the hearing. Upon 23 receiving the report of the investigation, the Director shall make findings of fact. If the Director finds that a violation 24 25 did occur, he or she shall issue a decision incorporating his 26 her findings and requiring the party committing the or

SB0043 Engrossed - 23 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b

violation to take such affirmative action to abate 1 the 2 violation as the Director deems appropriate, including, but not 3 limited to, the rehiring or reinstatement of the employee or representative of employees to his or her former position and 4 5 compensating him or her for the time he or she was unemployed. 6 The party committing the violation shall also be liable to the 7 Department of Labor for a penalty of \$5,000 for each violation of this Section. If the Director finds that there was no 8 9 violation, he or she shall issue an order denying the 10 application. An order issued by the Director under this Section 11 shall be subject to judicial review under the Administrative 12 Review Law.

13 (c) The Director shall adopt rules implementing this 14 Section in accordance with the Illinois Administrative 15 Procedure Act.

16 (Source: P.A. 94-488, eff. 1-1-06.)

17 (820 ILCS 130/11a rep.)

Section 10. The Prevailing Wage Act is amended by repealing Section 11a.

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 21 becoming law.

	SB0043 Engrossed	- 24 - LRB096 03898 RLC 13933 b	
1		INDEX	
2	Statutes amended in order of appearance		
3	820 ILCS 130/2	from Ch. 48, par. 39s-2	
4	820 ILCS 130/3	from Ch. 48, par. 39s-3	
5	820 ILCS 130/4	from Ch. 48, par. 39s-4	
6	820 ILCS 130/6	from Ch. 48, par. 39s-6	
7	820 ILCS 130/9	from Ch. 48, par. 39s-9	
8	820 ILCS 130/11	from Ch. 48, par. 39s-11	
9	820 ILCS 130/11b		
10	820 ILCS 130/11a rep.		