

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 Section 9 as follows:

6 (820 ILCS 130/9) (from Ch. 48, par. 39s-9)

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

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

1 for the county in which such public body is located.

2 Where the Department of Labor ascertains the prevailing  
3 rate of wages, it is the duty of the Department of Labor within  
4 30 days after receiving a notice from the public body  
5 authorizing the proposed work, to conduct an investigation to  
6 ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as defined in this Act  
7 and such investigation shall be conducted in the locality in  
8 which the work is to be performed. The Department of Labor  
9 shall send a certified copy of its findings to the public body  
10 authorizing the work and keep a record of its findings  
11 available for inspection by any interested party in the office  
12 of the Department of Labor at Springfield.

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

25 At any time within 30 days after the Department of Labor  
26 has published on its official web site a prevailing wage

1 schedule, any person affected thereby may object in writing to  
2 the determination or such part thereof as they may deem  
3 objectionable by filing a written notice with the public body  
4 or Department of Labor, whichever has made such determination,  
5 stating the specified grounds of the objection. It shall  
6 thereafter be the duty of the public body or Department of  
7 Labor to set a date for a hearing on the objection after giving  
8 written notice to the objectors at least 10 days before the  
9 date of the hearing and said notice shall state the time and  
10 place of such hearing. Such hearing by a public body shall be  
11 held within 45 days after the objection is filed, and shall not  
12 be postponed or reset for a later date except upon the consent,  
13 in writing, of all the objectors and the public body. If such  
14 hearing is not held by the public body within the time herein  
15 specified, the Department of Labor may, upon request of the  
16 objectors, conduct the hearing on behalf of the public body.

17 The public body or Department of Labor, whichever has made  
18 such determination, is authorized in its discretion to hear  
19 each written objection filed separately or consolidate for  
20 hearing any one or more written objections filed with them. At  
21 such hearing the public body or Department of Labor shall  
22 introduce in evidence the investigation it instituted which  
23 formed the basis of its determination, and the public body or  
24 Department of Labor, or any interested objectors may thereafter  
25 introduce such evidence as is material to the issue.  
26 Thereafter, the public body or Department of Labor, must rule

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

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

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

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

24 Any proceeding in any court affecting a determination of  
25 the Department of Labor or public body shall have priority in  
26 hearing and determination over all other civil proceedings

1 pending in said court, except election contests.

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

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

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
9 1, 2014.