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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by:
(LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING FAIR WAGES FOR HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS CONTRACTING WITH THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 31-57f of the general
2 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

4 (a) As used in this section: (1) "Required facilities services employer"
5 means any provider of food, building, property or equipment services
6 or maintenance listed in this subdivision whose rate of reimbursement
7 or compensation is determined by contract or agreement with the state
8 or any state agent: (A) Building, property or equipment service
9 companies; (B) management companies providing property
10 management services; and (C) companies providing food preparation
11 or service, or both; (2) "Required human services employer" means any
12 provider of human services listed in this subdivision whose rate of
13 reimbursement or compensation is determined by contract or
14 agreement with the state or any state agent: (A) Nonprofit
15 organizations providing services to alcohol-dependent or drug-
16 dependent persons pursuant to section 17a-676; (B) organizations

17 providing services to children transferred or committed to the
18 Department of Children and Families pursuant to section 17a-12; (C)
19 psychiatric clinics, as defined in section 17a-20; (D) day treatment
20 centers, as defined in section 17a-22; (E) youth service bureaus
21 established pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-19m; (F)
22 organizations receiving grants for programs for the treatment and
23 prevention of child abuse and neglect and for programs for juvenile
24 criminal diversion pursuant to section 17a-49; (G) community-based
25 service programs, as defined in section 18-101h; (H) organizations
26 establishing or maintaining programs for children and adults with
27 mental retardation pursuant to section 17a-217; (I) community-based
28 residential facilities for persons with mental retardation established
29 pursuant to section 17a-218; (J) organizations providing programs of
30 employment opportunities and day services for adults with mental
31 retardation pursuant to section 17a-226; (K) private facilities licensed to
32 provide for the lodging, care or treatment of persons with mental
33 retardation or autistic persons pursuant to section 17a-227; (L)
34 associations that provide day care and vocational training programs to
35 clients referred by state agencies pursuant to section 17b-245; (M)
36 nursing homes, rest homes and homes for the aged; and (N) any other
37 organization contracting with the state to provide or determine
38 eligibility for human services; (3) "Required employer" means a
39 required facilities services employer or a required human services
40 employer; (4) "state agent" means any state official, state employee or
41 other person authorized to enter into a contract or agreement on behalf
42 of the state; [(3)] (5) "person" means one or more individuals,
43 partnerships, associations, corporations, business trusts, legal
44 representatives or organized groups of persons; [and (4)] (6) "building,
45 property or equipment service" means any janitorial, cleaning,
46 maintenance or related service; and (7) "human services" means any
47 health care, social, preventive, curative or restorative services provided
48 to individuals.

49 (b) On and after July 1, 2000, the wages paid on an hourly basis to
50 any employee of a required facilities services employer in the

51 provision of food, building, property or equipment services [provided
52 to the state] pursuant to a contract or agreement with the state or any
53 state agent, shall be at a rate not less than the standard rate determined
54 by the Labor Commissioner pursuant to subsection (g) of this section.
55 On and after July 1, 2008, the wages paid on an hourly basis to any
56 employee of a required human services employer in the provision of
57 human services, pursuant to a contract or agreement with the state or
58 any state agent, shall be at a rate not less than the standard rate for the
59 janitor occupational classification determined by the Labor
60 Commissioner pursuant to subsection (g) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2007	31-57f(a) and (b)

Statement of Purpose:

To establish fair wages for providers of important health and community services for the state.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]