



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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House Bill No. 5311

House of Representatives, April 2, 2012

The Committee on Labor and Public Employees reported through REP. ZALASKI of the 81st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS THAT ARE PRIVATELY FUNDED.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (h) of section 31-53 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *January 1, 2013, and applicable to any contract for construction, remodeling,*
4 *refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair entered into on*
5 *and after that date*):

6 (h) The provisions of this section do not apply where the total cost
7 of all work to be performed by all contractors and subcontractors, (1) is
8 paid for exclusively with private funds, (2) in connection with new
9 construction of any public works project is less than four hundred
10 thousand dollars, or [where the total cost of all work to be performed
11 by all contractors and subcontractors] (3) in connection with any
12 remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or
13 repair of any public works project is less than one hundred thousand
14 dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2013, and applicable to any contract for construction, remodeling, refinishing, refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair entered into on and after that date</i>	31-53(h)

LAB *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

The bill has no impact on state or municipal funds because it only deals with projects that are financed from a private source.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

OLR BILL ANALYSIS**HB 5311*****AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS THAT ARE PRIVATELY FUNDED.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill exempts public works construction projects funded solely by private funds from the state's prevailing wage law. Under current law, all mechanics, laborers, and other construction workers on state or municipal public works projects must be paid the prevailing wage, regardless of the project's funding source, if the project costs at least \$100,000 for renovations, or at least \$400,000 for new construction.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2013

BACKGROUND***Related Bill***

sSB 181 applies state prevailing wage requirements to private construction projects that have received at least \$1 million in state financial assistance.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 10 Nay 0 (03/20/2012)