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sSB-409

AN ACT CONCERNING WAGE THEFT RESPONSIBILITY.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which makes contractors liable for unpaid wages owed to employees of subcontractors that perform work on any portion of a construction contract, does not result in any fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.¹

Section 3 allows an employee and other designated parties to bring action against a contractor for unpaid wages and does not result in any fiscal impact to the state or municipalities. The court system disposes of over 263,000 cases annually and the number of cases is not anticipated to be great enough to need additional resources.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

¹ Current law, unchanged by the bill, allows employees to sue an employer for failure to pay wages or fringe benefits, and may be awarded up to twice their unpaid wages, related costs, and attorney's fees (CGS § 31-72).