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Introduced by Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs

Date:

Subject: Public property and supplies; Department of Buildings and General  
Services; requirements on State construction projects

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to change the  
requirements needed for State construction projects and increase the wage and  
benefits for the construction employees.

An act relating to prevailing wages

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 29 V.S.A. § 161 is amended to read:

§ 161. REQUIREMENTS ON STATE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

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(b) Each contract awarded under this section for ~~any State project with a~~  
~~construction cost exceeding \$100,000.00 and~~ construction projects which ~~is~~ are  
authorized or funded in whole or in part by a capital construction act pursuant  
to 32 V.S.A. § 701a, including such a project of the University of Vermont and  
State Agricultural College and of the Vermont State Colleges, shall provide  
that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid no less  
than the ~~mean~~ prevailing wage ~~published periodically by the Department of~~

1 ~~Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey~~ determinations as have  
2 been made by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor in accordance  
3 with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. § 276a, as may be amended. The  
4 Commissioner of Labor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Buildings  
5 and General Services, may adopt rules as necessary, pursuant to 3 V.S.A.  
6 chapter 25, to implement this subsection. This section does not require that the  
7 federal Davis-Bacon Act reporting requirements be applied to State  
8 construction projects.

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10 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

11 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.