

1 S.71

2 Introduced by Senators Pearson and Sirotkin

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Education; construction; prevailing wages

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require that
7 construction employees working on school construction projects in Vermont
8 receive Vermont prevailing wages.

9 An act relating to applying Vermont prevailing wages to school
10 construction projects

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

12 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. chapter 1, subchapter 7A is added to read:

13 Subchapter 7A. School Construction Projects

14 § 137. REQUIREMENTS ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

15 Each school district and each approved independent school, as defined
16 under section 11 of this title, that awards a contract for a school capital
17 construction project with a construction cost exceeding \$200,000.00 shall
18 provide that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid
19 not less than the mean prevailing wage published periodically by the Vermont
20 Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey plus an

1 additional fringe benefit of 42 and one-half percent of wage, as calculated by
2 the current Vermont prevailing wage survey. As used in this section, “fringe
3 benefit” means benefits, including paid vacations and holidays, sick leave,
4 employer contributions and reimbursements to health insurance and retirement
5 benefits, and similar benefits that are incidents of employment.

6 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

7 This act shall take effect on passage.