



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 1370**

LCO No. 5091



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***AN ACT REQUIRING WORKERS PERFORMING OFF-SITE CUSTOM FABRICATION FOR A PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT TO BE PAID PREVAILING WAGE RATES.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 31-53 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
3 *2025*):

4 (a) Each contract for the construction, remodeling, refinishing,  
5 refurbishing, rehabilitation, alteration or repair of any public works  
6 project by the state or any of its agents, or by any political subdivision  
7 of the state or any of its agents, including, on and after July 1, 2025, each  
8 contract for off-site custom fabrication for any such public works  
9 project, shall contain the following provision: "The wages paid on an  
10 hourly basis to any person performing the work of any mechanic,  
11 laborer or worker on the work herein contracted to be done and the  
12 amount of payment or contribution paid or payable on behalf of each  
13 such person to any employee welfare fund, as defined in subsection (i)  
14 of this section, shall be at a rate equal to the rate customary or prevailing

15 for the same work in the same trade or occupation in the town in which  
16 such public works project is being constructed. Any contractor who is  
17 not obligated by agreement to make payment or contribution on behalf  
18 of such persons to any such employee welfare fund shall pay to each  
19 mechanic, laborer or worker as part of such person's wages the amount  
20 of payment or contribution for such person's classification on each pay  
21 day." For purposes of this subsection, "off-site custom fabrication"  
22 means the fabrication of systems that are fabricated at a site other than  
23 the location of a public works project, but are fabricated specifically for  
24 such public works project, including, but not limited to, plumbing  
25 systems, heating systems, cooling systems, pipefitting systems,  
26 ventilation systems or exhaust duct systems. "Off-site custom  
27 fabrication" does not include components or materials that are stock  
28 shelf items or readily available.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2025	31-53(a)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require workers performing off-site fabrication for a public works project to be paid prevailing wage rates.

*[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.]*