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- 1 Amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), entitled
- "An act relating to public works contracts; providing for
   prevailing wages; imposing duties upon the Secretary of Labor
- and Industry; providing remedies, penalties and repealing
- existing laws," raising the threshold for applicability.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987,
- 9 No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, amended
- 10 August 9, 1963 (P.L.653, No.342), is amended to read:
- 11 Section 2. Definitions.--As used in this act--
- 12 (1) "Department" means Department of Labor and Industry of
- 13 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 14 (2) "Locality" means any political subdivision, or
- 15 combination of the same, within the county in which the public
- 16 work is to be performed. When no workmen for which a prevailing
- 17 minimum wage is to be determined hereunder are employed in the
- 18 locality, the locality may be extended to include adjoining
- 19 political subdivisions where such workmen are employed in those

- 1 crafts or trades for which there are no workmen employed in the
- 2 locality as otherwise herein defined.
- 3 (3) "Maintenance work" means the repair of existing
- 4 facilities when the size, type or extent of such facilities is
- 5 not thereby changed or increased.
- 6 (4) "Public body" means the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
- 7 any of its political subdivisions, any authority created by the
- 8 General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and any
- 9 instrumentality or agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 10 (5) "Public work" means construction, reconstruction,
- 11 demolition, alteration and/or repair work other than maintenance
- 12 work, done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out
- 13 of the funds of a public body where the estimated cost of the
- 14 total project is in excess of [twenty-five thousand dollars
- 15 (\$25,000)] seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), but shall
- 16 not include work performed under a rehabilitation or manpower
- 17 training program.
- 18 (6) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Labor and Industry or
- 19 his duly authorized deputy or representative.
- 20 (7) "Workman" includes laborer, mechanic, skilled and semi-
- 21 skilled laborer and apprentices employed by any contractor or
- 22 subcontractor and engaged in the performance of services
- 23 directly upon the public work project, regardless of whether
- 24 their work becomes a component part thereof, but does not
- 25 include material suppliers or their employes who do not perform
- 26 services at the job site.
- 27 (8) "Work performed under a rehabilitation program," means
- 28 work arranged by and at a State institution primarily for
- 29 teaching and upgrading the skills and employment opportunities
- 30 of the inmates of such institutions.

- 1 (9) "Advisory Board" means the board created by section 2.1
- 2 of this act.
- 3 (10) "Appeals Board" means the board created by section 2.2
- 4 of this act.
- 5 Section 2. The amendment of section 2 of the act shall apply
- 6 to contracts entered into on or after the effective date of this
- 7 section.
- 8 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.