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AN ACT

1 2	Providing for the establishment of prevailing wages for certain airport employees.	
3	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	
4	hereby enacts as follows:	
5	Section 1. Short title.	
6	This act shall be known and may be cited as the Pennsylvania	
7	Airports Prevailing Wage Act.	
8	Section 2. Definitions.	
9	The following words and phrases when used in this act shall	
10	have the meanings given to them in this section unless the	
11	context clearly indicates otherwise:	
12	"AIRPORT." AN AIRPORT OF ENTRY AND DEPARTURE FOR	<-
13	INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC WHERE THE FORMALITIES INCIDENT TO	
14	CUSTOMS, IMMIGRATION, PUBLIC HEALTH, ANIMAL AND PLANT QUARANTINE	
15	AND SIMILAR PROCEDURES ARE CARRIED OUT AND WHICH IS LOCATED IN A	
16	COUNTY OF THE FIRST OR SECOND CLASS.	

1 "Fixed-base or in-flight services." Services, including, but not limited to, the following types of work: fueling and oiling 2 aircraft, cleaning aircraft, baggage handling, catering, FOOD 3 4 AND BEVERAGE SERVICE, terminal facilities work, mechanical work 5 related to the maintenance of fuel and ground equipment, maintenance and operation of tank farms, underground systems, 6 unloading fuel from overland transports or barges, and other 7 related work. 8

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9 "Ground employees." All individuals employed by fixed-base 10 or in-flight service companies performing types of work, 11 including, but not limited to, the following: fueling and oiling aircraft, cleaning aircraft, baggage handling, catering, FOOD 12 13 AND BEVERAGE SERVICE, terminal facilities work, mechanical work 14 related to the maintenance of fuel and ground equipment, 15 maintenance and operation of tank farms, underground systems, 16 unloading fuel from overland transports or barges, and other 17 related work.

18 "Prevailing wage." The wage determined by the Secretary of 19 Labor and Industry to be normal and customary for the various 20 classes of ground employees at the airports.

21 "Secretary." The Secretary of Labor and Industry of the22 Commonwealth, or his designee.

23 "Wage." The basic hourly rate of pay and supplements. The 24 term "supplements" means fringe benefits, including medical or 25 hospital care, pensions, compensation for injuries or illness 26 resulting from occupational activity or insurance to provide any 27 of the foregoing, unemployment benefits, life insurance, disability and sickness insurance, accident insurance, vacation 28 29 and holiday pay, costs of apprenticeship or other similar 30 programs, and other bona fide fringe benefits not otherwise 19910H1782B3383 - 2 -

1 required by Federal, State or local law.

2 Section 3. Prevailing wage.

3 The rate of wages for all ground employees employed under a 4 contract for fixed-base or in-flight services to aircraft at 5 international airports in counties of the first class and second 6 class shall not be less than the prevailing rate of wages for 7 work of a similar nature performed at the international 8 airports.

9 Section 4. Specifications.

10 The specifications for every contract for fixed-base or in-11 flight services to aircraft to be performed at international 12 airports in counties of the first class and second class shall 13 contain a provision stating the minimum wage rate that must be 14 paid to the ground employees in the performance of the contract. 15 Section 5. Predecessor contracts.

16 No contractor or subcontractor under a contract which 17 succeeds a contract subject to the provisions of this act and 18 under which substantially the same services are furnished shall 19 pay any ground employee under such contract less than the wages 20 and fringe benefits, including accrued wages and fringe 21 benefits, and any prospective increases in wages and fringe 22 benefits provided for in a collective bargaining agreement as a 23 result of arm's-length negotiations, to which such ground employees would have been entitled if they were employed under 24 25 the predecessor contracts.

26 Section 6. Dispute resolution.

27 In case any dispute arises as to what are the prevailing 28 rates of wages for work of a similar nature applicable to a 29 contract for fixed-base or in-flight services to aircraft, the 30 matter shall be referred to the secretary, and his decision 19910H1782B3383 - 3 - 1 shall be conclusive on all parties to the contract.

2 Section 7. Failure to comply; termination.

In any case where the secretary determines that any person or firm has failed to pay the prevailing wages in accordance with this act, he may direct the termination of the contractor's right to perform fixed-base or in-flight services to aircraft at the international airports.

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8 Section 8. Effective date.

9 This act shall take effect in 180 60 days.