THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1099 Session of 2013

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AN ACT

Amending the act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.11, No.5), entitled "An act establishing a fixed minimum wage and overtime rates 2 for employes, with certain exceptions; providing for minimum 3 rates for learners and apprentices; creating a Minimum Wage 4 Advisory Board and defining its powers and duties; conferring 5 powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Labor and 6 7 Industry; imposing duties on employers; and providing penalties," further providing for definitions and for rate of 8 minimum wages; and providing for reporting by the department. 9 10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 11 hereby enacts as follows: 12 Section 1. Section 3(d) of the act of January 17, 1968 13 (P.L.11, No.5), known as The Minimum Wage Act of 1968, amended 14 July 9, 2006 (P.L.1077, No.112), is amended to read: Section 3. Definitions. -- As used in this act: 15 * * * 16 17 "Wages" mean compensation due to any employe by reason 18 of his or her employment, payable in legal tender of the United 19 States or checks on banks convertible into cash on demand at full face value, subject to such deductions, charges or 20 allowances as may be permitted by regulations of the secretary 21 22 under section 9.

- 1 "Wage" paid to any employe includes the reasonable cost, as
- 2 determined by the secretary, to the employer for furnishing such
- 3 employe with board, lodging, or other facilities, if such board,
- 4 lodging, or other facilities are customarily furnished by such
- 5 employer to his or her employes: Provided, That the cost of
- 6 board, lodging, or other facilities shall not be included as a
- 7 part of the wage paid to any employe to the extent it is
- 8 excluded therefrom under the terms of a bona fide collective-
- 9 bargaining agreement applicable to the particular employe:
- 10 Provided, further, That the secretary is authorized to determine
- 11 the fair value of such board, lodging, or other facilities for
- 12 defined classes of employes and in defined areas, based on
- 13 average cost to the employer or to groups of employers similarly
- 14 situated, or average value to groups of employes, or other
- 15 appropriate measures of fair value. Such evaluations, where
- 16 applicable and pertinent, shall be used in lieu of actual
- 17 measure of cost in determining the wage paid to any employe.
- In determining the hourly wage an employer is required to pay
- 19 a tipped employe, the amount paid such employe by his or her
- 20 employer shall be an amount equal to: (i) the cash wage paid the
- 21 employe which for the purposes of the determination shall be not
- 22 less than the cash wage required to be paid the employe [on the
- 23 date immediately prior to the effective date of this
- 24 subparagraph] under section 4 of this act; and (ii) an
- 25 additional amount on account of the tips received by the employe
- 26 which is equal to the difference between the wage specified in
- 27 subparagraph (i) and the wage in effect under section 4 of this
- 28 act. The additional amount on account of tips may not exceed the
- 29 value of tips actually received by the employe. The previous
- 30 sentence shall not apply with respect to any tipped employe

- 1 unless:
- 2 (1) Such employe has been informed by the employer of the
- 3 provisions of this subsection;
- 4 (2) All tips received by such employe have been retained by
- 5 the employe and shall not be surrendered to the employer to be
- 6 used as wages to satisfy the requirement to pay the current
- 7 hourly minimum rate in effect; where the gratuity is added to
- 8 the charge made by the establishment, either by the management,
- 9 or by the customer, the gratuity shall become the property of
- 10 the employe; except that this subsection shall not be construed
- 11 to prohibit the pooling of tips among employes who customarily
- 12 and regularly receive tips.
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- 14 Section 2. Section 4(a) of the act, amended July 5, 2012
- 15 (P.L.987, No.109), is amended to read:
- 16 Section 4. Minimum Wages.--Except as may otherwise be
- 17 provided under this act:
- 18 (a) Every employer shall pay to each of his or her employes
- 19 wages for all hours worked at a rate of not less than:
- 20 (1) Two dollars sixty-five cents (\$2.65) an hour upon the
- 21 effective date of this amendment.
- 22 (2) Two dollars ninety cents (\$2.90) an hour during the year
- 23 beginning January 1, 1979.
- 24 (3) Three dollars ten cents (\$3.10) an hour during the year
- 25 beginning January 1, 1980.
- 26 (4) Three dollars thirty-five cents (\$3.35) an hour after
- 27 December 31, 1980.
- 28 (5) Three dollars seventy cents (\$3.70) an hour beginning
- 29 February 1, 1989.
- 30 (6) Five dollars fifteen cents (\$5.15) an hour beginning

- 1 September 1, 1997.
- 2 (7) Six dollars twenty-five cents (\$6.25) an hour beginning
- 3 January 1, 2007.
- 4 (8) Seven dollars fifteen cents (\$7.15) an hour beginning
- 5 July 1, 2007.
- 6 (9) For a tipped employe who customarily and regularly
- 7 receives tips, but who actually receives in tips an amount equal
- 8 to the rate otherwise applicable under this section:
- 9 <u>(i) three dollars eighty-three cents (\$3.83) an hour in cash</u>
- 10 wages beginning on the effective date of this paragraph;
- 11 (ii) four dollars eighty-three cents (\$4.83) an hour in cash
- 12 wages beginning January 1, 2014; and
- 13 (iii) seventy percent (70%) of the rate otherwise applicable
- 14 under this section or the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (52
- 15 Stat. 1060, 29 U.S.C. § 201 et seg.), whichever is greater, an
- 16 hour in cash wages beginning January 1, 2015.
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- 18 Section 3. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
- 19 <u>Section 13.1. Reporting by Department.</u>
- The department shall collect information of the number of
- 21 employers who violate the provisions of this act, including the
- 22 <u>amount of fines imposed for violations, and shall publish the</u>
- 23 information on the department's publicly accessible Internet
- 24 website. The department shall update the information every six
- 25 months.
- 26 Section 4. Any and all regulations are hereby abrogated to
- 27 the extent of any inconsistency with this act.
- 28 Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.