

SENATE BILL No. 188

By Senators Hensley, Barone, Betts, Gilstrap, Goodwin, Haley and
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10 AN ACT concerning public works projects for state agencies; prescribing
11 payment of minimum wages for work thereon and preferences for
12 certain employees to work thereon.
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14 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

15 Section 1. (a) Each contract entered into by any state agency for any
16 nonfederal aid, public works project shall be based on bid or contract
17 specifications prescribing and requiring that employees of any contractor
18 or subcontractor shall be paid not less than the hourly wages, including
19 fringe benefits, paid to corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics
20 employed on similar projects in the county where the project is to be
21 performed. Such minimum wage shall be the wage paid to the majority
22 of the laborers or mechanics, unless the same wages are not paid to a
23 majority, in which case the minimum wage shall be the average wages
24 paid, weighted by the total employed in the classification. In the alter-
25 native, the minimum wage shall be the wage determined under federal
26 law which would be required to be paid on federally funded projects at
27 the location of the public works project.

28 (b) Employees employed by contractors or subcontractors in the ex-
29 ecution of any nonfederal aid, public works project contract with any state
30 agency shall be paid not less than the wages as determined pursuant to
31 subsection (a).

32 (c) Contractors who employ Kansas residents exclusively shall be pre-
33 ferred over other bidders for public works projects owned by or built for
34 any state agency.

35 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
36 publication in the statute book.