

## PUBLIC CONTRACTING

### **HB 2252 – Prevailing Wage Rate Study Bill**

Requires the state to conduct a study on prevailing wage rate and method for determining rates.

### **HB 2324 – Prevailing Wage Requirements for Private Projects**

This bill would require private construction project owners to abide by public prevailing wage laws if the project owners receives a tax credit or exemption of \$750,000 or more. LOC opposes this bill as it would expand prevailing wage requirements for projects that receive local tax abatements through the enterprise zone program or strategic investment program. The LOC opposes this legislation.

### **HB 2419/SB 493 – Use of Collective Bargaining Agreements for PWR Determinations**

Changes mechanism for determining the prevailing wage rates by using collective bargaining agreements as opposed to wage survey. If more than one collective bargaining agreement exist for a trade occupation within a regional, the highest rate would apply. The LOC opposes this legislation.

### **HB 2597 – Reduces Prevailing Wage Regions from 14 to 5**

Consolidates prevailing wage regions for purpose of determining prevailing wage rates that apply to projects based on location. The LOC opposes this legislation as it would group rural parts of the state with urban areas.

### **SB 420 – Community Benefits for Local Contracting**

Authorizes local contract review boards to designate a public improvement as a community benefit contract. Specifies provisions that must be included in a community benefit contract including apprenticeship utilization and health benefit standards.

### **SB 639 – PWR Threshold Increase**

Increases project threshold for application of prevailing wage rate requirements from \$50,000 to \$64,000 and establishes a mechanism for future threshold increases based on consumer price index.



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