

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote: 10 - 0 - 0
Yeas: Barton, Cameron, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Kennemer, Matthews, Thatcher, Witt, Schaufler
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0
Prepared By: Theresa Van Winkle, Administrator
Meeting Dates: 4/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes that a contractor or subcontractor is ineligible to receive any public works contract or subcontract for three years for intentionally falsifying information in certified statements concerning payment of prevailing wage rates on public works contracts. Declares an emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Investigation process
- Whether cases are forwarded to Department of Justice for further investigation of fraudulent activities
- Support from Prevailing Wage Rate Advisory Committee

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) has the authority to investigate cases regarding a contractor who has intentionally falsified certified payroll records in an attempt to conceal either the underpayment of prevailing wage or overtime wages. Under current statute, contractors may be placed on the ineligible list for failure to pay wages, but not for falsifying certified statements, including pay records.

SB 55 adds intentional falsification of certified payroll records as grounds for placing a contractor on those ineligible for receiving public works.