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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 142, L.D. 433, Bill, "An Act to Promote Equity in Wages and Benefits in Public Contracts with Private Contractors"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 9 in the 4th line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "facilities" the following: ', which, on the effective date of this subsection, are performed by state employees.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 9 in the 6th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Commissioner of Labor." and inserting in its place the following: 'Bureau of Human Resources.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 9 in the 9th line (page 1, line 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "prevailing rates for employment in the State." and inserting in its place the following: 'rates of wages paid to state employees in comparable job classifications.'

Further amend the bill by inserting before the statement of fact the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

Requiring private contractors to adhere to wage and benefit guidelines when contracting with the State will increase the cost of contracts to all state departments and agencies who access these services. The amount of increased costs can not be determined at this time since the projected use of these private contracts can not be estimated.'

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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The original bill required that all state contracts for services prescribe wage rates based on the prevailing wage rates in the State. The amendment specifies that the prescribed wage rates are only required on contracts for services that are provided by state employees as of the effective date of this legislation. The amendment also provides that the wage rates to be used are those rates paid to state employees in comparable job classifications, rather than prevailing rates in the State. The amendment transfers the responsibility for determining these rates from the Commissioner of Labor to the Bureau of Human Resources. The amendment also adds a fiscal note.

Reported by the Majority for the Committee on Labor.  
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