

United States Code Annotated

Title 29. Labor

Chapter 8. Fair Labor Standards (Refs & Annos)

29 U.S.C.A. § 206

§ 206. Minimum wage

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**(a) Employees engaged in commerce; home workers in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands; employees in American Samoa; seamen on American vessels; agricultural employees**

Every employer shall pay to each of his employees who in any workweek is engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, or is employed in an enterprise engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, wages at the following rates:

(1) except as otherwise provided in this section, not less than--

(A) \$5.85 an hour, beginning on the 60th day after May 25, 2007;

(B) \$6.55 an hour, beginning 12 months after that 60th day; and

(C) \$7.25 an hour, beginning 24 months after that 60th day;

(2) if such employee is a home worker in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands, not less than the minimum piece rate prescribed by regulation or order; or, if no such minimum piece rate is in effect, any piece rate adopted by such employer which shall yield, to the proportion or class of employees prescribed by regulation or order, not less than the applicable minimum hourly wage rate. Such minimum piece rates or employer piece rates shall be commensurate with, and shall be paid in lieu of, the minimum hourly wage rate applicable under the provisions of this section. The Administrator, or his authorized representative, shall have power to make such regulations or orders as are necessary or appropriate to carry out any of the provisions of this paragraph, including the power without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to define any operation or occupation which is performed by such home work employees in Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands; to establish minimum piece rates for any operation or occupation so defined; to prescribe the method and procedure for ascertaining and promulgating minimum piece rates; to prescribe standards for employer piece rates, including the proportion or class of employees who shall receive not less than the minimum hourly wage rate; to define the term "home worker"; and to prescribe the conditions under which employers, agents, contractors, and subcontractors shall cause goods to be produced by home workers;

(3) if such employee is employed as a seaman on an American vessel, not less than the rate which will provide to the employee, for the period covered by the wage payment, wages equal to compensation at the hourly rate prescribed by paragraph (1) of this subsection for all hours during such period when he was actually on duty (including periods aboard ship when the employee was on watch or was, at the direction of a superior officer, performing work or standing by, but not including off-duty periods which are provided pursuant to the employment agreement); or

(4) if such employee is employed in agriculture, not less than the minimum wage rate in effect under paragraph (1) after December 31, 1977.

(5) Redesignated (4)

**(b) Additional applicability to employees pursuant to subsequent amendatory provisions**

Every employer shall pay to each of his employees (other than an employee to whom subsection (a)(5) of this section applies) who in any workweek is engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, or is employed in an enterprise engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, and who in such workweek is brought within the purview of this section by the amendments made to this chapter by the Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1966, title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 [20 U.S.C.A. § 1681 et seq.], or the Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1974, wages at the following rate: Effective after December 31, 1977, not less than the minimum wage rate in effect under subsection (a)(1) of this section.

**(c) Repealed. Pub.L. 104-188, [Title III], § 2104(c), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1929**

**(d) Prohibition of sex discrimination**

(1) No employer having employees subject to any provisions of this section shall discriminate, within any establishment in which such employees are employed, between employees on the basis of sex by paying wages to employees in such establishment at a rate less than the rate at which he pays wages to employees of the opposite sex in such establishment for equal work on jobs the performance of which requires equal skill, effort, and responsibility, and which are performed under similar working conditions, except where such payment is made pursuant to (i) a seniority system; (ii) a merit system; (iii) a system which measures earnings by quantity or quality of production; or (iv) a differential based on any other factor other than sex: *Provided*, That an employer who is paying a wage rate differential in violation of this subsection shall not, in order to comply with the provisions of this subsection, reduce the wage rate of any employee.

(2) No labor organization, or its agents, representing employees of an employer having employees subject to any provisions of this section shall cause or attempt to cause such an employer to discriminate against an employee in violation of paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(3) For purposes of administration and enforcement, any amounts owing to any employee which have been withheld in violation of this subsection shall be deemed to be unpaid minimum wages or unpaid overtime compensation under this chapter.

(4) As used in this subsection, the term “labor organization” means any organization of any kind, or any agency or employee representation committee or plan, in which employees participate and which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, or conditions of work.

**(e) Employees of employers providing contract services to United States**

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of [section 213](#) of this title (except subsections (a)(1) and (f) thereof), every employer providing any contract services (other than linen supply services) under a contract with the United States or any subcontract thereunder shall pay to each of his employees whose rate of pay is not governed by chapter 67 of Title 41 or to whom subsection (a)(1) of this section is not applicable, wages at rates not less than the rates provided for in subsection (b) of this section.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of [section 213](#) of this title (except subsections (a)(1) and (f) thereof) and the provisions of chapter 67 of Title 41, every employer in an establishment providing linen supply services to the United States under a contract with the United States or any subcontract thereunder shall pay to each of his employees in such establishment wages at rates not less than those prescribed in subsection (b) of this section, except that if more than 50 per centum of the gross annual dollar volume of sales made or business done by such establishment is derived from providing such linen supply services under any such contracts or subcontracts, such employer shall pay to each of his employees in such establishment wages at rates not less than those prescribed in subsection (a)(1) of this section.

**(f) Employees in domestic service**

Any employee--

(1) who in any workweek is employed in domestic service in a household shall be paid wages at a rate not less than the wage rate in effect under subsection (b) of this section unless such employee's compensation for such service would not because

of section 209(a)(6) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C.A. § 409(a)(6) ] constitute wages for the purposes of title II of such Act [42 U.S.C.A. § 401 et seq.], or

(2) who in any workweek--

(A) is employed in domestic service in one or more households, and

(B) is so employed for more than 8 hours in the aggregate,

shall be paid wages for such employment in such workweek at a rate not less than the wage rate in effect under subsection (b) of this section.

**(g) Newly hired employees who are less than 20 years old**

(1) In lieu of the rate prescribed by subsection (a)(1) of this section, any employer may pay any employee of such employer, during the first 90 consecutive calendar days after such employee is initially employed by such employer, a wage which is not less than \$4.25 an hour.

(2) No employer may take any action to displace employees (including partial displacements such as reduction in hours, wages, or employment benefits) for purposes of hiring individuals at the wage authorized in paragraph (1).

(3) Any employer who violates this subsection shall be considered to have violated [section 215\(a\)\(3\)](#) of this title.

(4) This subsection shall only apply to an employee who has not attained the age of 20 years.

**Credits**

(June 25, 1938, c. 676, § 6, 52 Stat. 1062; June 26, 1940, c. 432, § 3(e), (f), 54 Stat. 616; Oct. 26, 1949, c. 736, § 6, 63 Stat. 912; Aug. 12, 1955, c. 867, § 3, 69 Stat. 711; Aug. 8, 1956, c. 1035, § 2, 70 Stat. 1118; May 5, 1961, Pub.L. 87-30, § 5, 75 Stat. 67; June 10, 1963, Pub.L. 88-38, § 3, 77 Stat. 56; Sept. 23, 1966, Pub.L. 89-601, Title III, §§ 301 to 305, 80 Stat. 838, 839, 841; Apr. 8, 1974, [Pub.L. 93-259](#), §§ 2 to 4, 5(b), 7(b)(1), 88 Stat. 55, 56, 62; Nov. 1, 1977, [Pub.L. 95-151](#), § 2(a) to (d)(2), 91 Stat. 1245, 1246; Nov. 17, 1989, [Pub.L. 101-157](#), §§ 2, 4(b), 103 Stat. 938, 940; Dec. 19, 1989, [Pub.L. 101-239, Title X, § 10208\(d\)\(2\)\(B\)\(i\)](#), 103 Stat. 2481; Aug. 20, 1996, [Pub.L. 104-188](#), [Title II], §§ 2104(b), (c), 2105(c), 110 Stat. 1928, 1929; May 25, 2007, [Pub.L. 110-28, Title VIII, §§ 8102\(a\), 8103\(c\)\(1\)\(B\)](#), 121 Stat. 188, 189.)

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29 U.S.C.A. § 206, 29 USCA § 206

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Mckinney's Consolidated Laws of New York Annotated  
Labor Law (Refs & Annos)  
Chapter 31. Of the Consolidated Laws (Refs & Annos)  
Article 19. Minimum Wage Act (Refs & Annos)

McKinney's Labor Law § 652

§ 652. Minimum wage

Effective: December 6, 2004

[Currentness](#)

1. Statutory. Every employer shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than:

\$4.25 on and after April 1, 1991

\$5.15 on and after March 31, 2000,

\$6.00 on and after January 1, 2005,

\$6.75 on and after January 1, 2006,

\$7.15 on and after January 1, 2007, or, if greater, such other wage as may be established by federal law pursuant to [29 U.S.C. section 206](#) or its successors

or such other wage as may be established in accordance with the provisions of this article.

2. Existing wage orders. The minimum wage orders in effect on the effective date of this act shall remain in full force and effect, except as modified in accordance with the provisions of this article.

Such minimum wage orders shall be modified by the commissioner to increase all monetary amounts specified therein in the same proportion as the increase in the hourly minimum wage as provided in subdivision one of this section, including the amounts specified in such minimum wage orders as allowances for gratuities, and when furnished by the employer to its employees, for meals, lodging, apparel and other such items, services and facilities. All amounts so modified shall be rounded off to the nearest five cents. The modified orders shall be promulgated by the commissioner without a public hearing, and without reference to a wage board, and shall become effective on the effective date of such increases in the minimum wage except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, notwithstanding any other provision of this article.

3. Non-profitmaking institutions. (a) Application of article. This article shall apply to non-profitmaking institutions.

(b) Option available to non-profitmaking institutions. The provisions of any wage order issued under this article shall not apply, however, to any non-profitmaking institution which pays and continues to pay to each of its employees in every occupation a wage, exclusive of allowances, of not less than the minimum wage provided in subdivision one of this section provided that such institution had certified under oath to the commissioner, on or before September first, nineteen hundred sixty, that on or before October first, nineteen hundred sixty it would pay and thereafter intended to pay such wage to each of its employees in every occupation and provided further that all the provisions of this article have not become applicable to such institution by operation of paragraph (c) of this subdivision. If such institution was not organized or did not hire any employees as defined in [subdivision five of section six hundred fifty-one](#) of this chapter before September first, nineteen hundred sixty, such provisions shall not apply so long as, commencing six months after it was organized, or first employed such employees it paid and continues to pay such wage to each of its employees in every occupation, provided that such institution certified under oath within six months after it was organized or first employed such employees that it would pay and thereafter intended to pay such wage to each of

its employees in every occupation and provided further that all the provisions of this article have not become applicable to such institution by operation of paragraph (c) of this subdivision.

(c) Termination of option. All the provisions of this article, including all of the provisions of any wage order issued thereunder which, but for the operation of paragraph (b) of this subdivision, would apply to any non-profitmaking institution, shall become fully applicable to such institution sixty days after such institution files a notice with the commissioner requesting that the provisions of such wage order apply to it, or immediately upon the issuance of an order by the commissioner finding that such institution has failed to pay the wages provided in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, but in no event shall any such order discharge the obligation of such institution to pay the wages provided by paragraph (b) of this subdivision for any period prior to the issuance of such order.

4. Notwithstanding subdivisions one and two of this section, the wage for an employee who is a food service worker receiving tips shall be a cash wage of at least three dollars and thirty cents per hour on or after March thirty-first, two thousand; three dollars and eighty-five cents on or after January first, two thousand five; at least four dollars and thirty-five cents on or after January first, two thousand six; and at least four dollars and sixty cents on or after January first, two thousand seven, provided that the tips of such an employee, when added to such cash wage, are equal to or exceed the minimum wage in effect pursuant to subdivision one of this section and provided further that no other cash wage is established pursuant to [section six hundred fifty-three](#) of this article. In the event the cash wage payable under the Fair Labor Standards Act ([29 United States Code Sec. 203 \(m\)](#), as amended), is increased after enactment of this subdivision, the cash wage payable under this subdivision shall automatically be increased by the proportionate increase in the cash wage payable under such federal law, and will be immediately enforceable as the cash wage payable to food service workers under this article.

5. Notwithstanding subdivisions one and two of this section, meal and lodging allowances for a food service worker receiving a cash wage amounting to three dollars and thirty cents per hour on or after March thirty-first, two thousand; three dollars and eighty-five cents on or after January first, two thousand five; four dollars and thirty-five cents on or after January first, two thousand six; and four dollars and sixty cents on or after January first, two thousand seven, shall not increase more than two-thirds of the increase required by subdivision two of this section as applied to state wage orders in effect pursuant to subdivision one of this section.

#### Credits

(Added L.1960, c. 619, § 2. Amended L.1961, c. 440, § 4; L.1962, c. 439, § 4; L.1962, c. 440, § 2; L.1966, c. 649, § 2; L.1970, c. 282, § 1; L.1974, c. 280, § 1; L.1978, c. 747, §§ 1, 2; L.1979, c. 668, § 1; [L.1990, c. 38, §§ 1, 2](#); [L.1999, c. 3, § 3, eff. Dec. 29, 1999](#); [L.2000, c. 14, § 4, eff. March 31, 2000](#); [L.2004, c. 747, § 2, eff. Dec. 6, 2004](#).)

#### [Notes of Decisions \(37\)](#)

McKinney's Labor Law § 652, NY LABOR § 652

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