

## HOUSE BILL No. 2277

By Committee on Appropriations

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9 AN ACT concerning public works projects for state agencies; prescribing  
10 payment of minimum wages for work thereon and preferences for  
11 certain employees to work thereon.  
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13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

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

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

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

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