

# CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION LAW

## CHAPTER 376 (CORRECTED COPY)

AN ACT concerning public works contractor registration and amending P.L.1999, c.238.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 3 of P.L.1999, c.238 (C.34:11-56.50) is amended to read as follows:

C.34:11-56.50 Definitions relative to public works contractors.

3. As used in this act:

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development or his duly authorized representatives.

"Contractor" means a person, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or other legal business entity or successor thereof who enters into a contract which is subject to the provisions of the "New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act," P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-56.25 et seq.), or who is required to pay its workers the prevailing wage by any other provision of law, and includes any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor of a contractor as defined herein.

"Department" means the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

"Director" means the Director of the Division of Wage and Hour Compliance in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

"Worker" includes laborer, mechanic, skilled or semi-skilled laborer and apprentices or helpers employed by any contractor or subcontractor and engaged in the performance of services directly upon a public work, who have completed or are actively participating in a registered apprenticeship program, regardless of whether their work becomes a component part thereof, but does not include material suppliers or their employees who do not perform services at the job site.

"Registered apprenticeship program" means an apprenticeship program which is registered with and approved by the United States Department of Labor and which provides each trainee with combined classroom and on-the-job training in an occupation recognized as an apprenticeable trade and meets the program standards of enrollment and graduation under 29 C.F.R. s.29.6

2. Section 4 of P.L.1999, c.238 (C.34:11-56.51) is amended to read as follows:

C.34:11-56.51 Registration required for contractors, subcontractors.

4. No contractor shall bid on any contract for public work as defined in section 2 of P.L.1963, c.150 (C.34:11-56.26), or for which payment of the prevailing wage is required by any other provision of law, unless the contractor is registered pursuant to this act. No contractor shall list a subcontractor in a bid proposal for the contract unless the subcontractor is registered pursuant to P.L.1999, c.238 (C.34:11-56.48 et seq.) at the time the bid is made. No contractor or subcontractor, including a subcontractor not listed in the bid proposal, shall engage in the performance of any public work subject to the contract, unless the contractor or subcontractor is registered pursuant to that act.

3. Section 8 of P.L.1999, c.238 (C.34:11-56.55) is amended to read as follows:

C.34:11-56.55 Submission of all subcontractor registration certificates by contractor.

8. Each contractor shall, after the bid is made and prior to the awarding of the contract, submit to the public entity, including, but not limited to, any authority, board, or commission, the certificates of registration for all subcontractors listed in the bid proposal. Applications for registration shall not be accepted as a substitute for a certificate of registration for the purposes of this section.

4. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month following enactment.

Approved January 21, 2020.

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