

(d) "Public body" means the State or any department, officer, board, commission, or agency of the State ~~F~~; but this term shall not mean any State agency funded primarily from sources other than the State, nor shall it mean any county or municipal corporation, or any department, officer, board, commission, or agency thereof~~F~~.

97.

(b) If any such workman or apprentice is paid less than the compensation to which he is entitled hereunder, the contractor shall make restitution to the affected employee for the amount due and shall be liable to the contracting public body for liquidated damages at the rate of ten dollars (\$10.00) per day for each employee so underpaid. Each day's violation constitutes a separate offense.

(d) Where a laborer performs the work ordinarily performed by any skilled mechanic or his apprentice, he shall be paid for the entire time he has performed such work at the rate of wages applicable to a skilled mechanic; and in the event of such underpayment, restitution shall be made by the contractor to said employee, and in addition, the contractor shall be liable to the contracting public body for liquidated damages in an amount equal to ten dollars (\$10.00) per day for each such violation. Each violation each day constitutes a separate offense.

(e) On any public works to which this subtitle applies, only competent workmen and apprentices of the trades, crafts, and occupations shall be employed by the contractor and all subcontractors on the public works, provided that for every five mechanics regularly employed by the contractor there may be employed not more than one apprentice; provided, however, that if less than five such mechanics are employed, there may be employed not more than one apprentice. THE USE OF APPRENTICES, FOR EACH CRAFT INVOLVED, SHALL CONFORM TO THE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS APPROVED BY THE BUREAU OF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING OF THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND AS REGISTERED WITH THE MARYLAND APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

98.

(e) The governing body of every political subdivision of this state may provide by resolution that the political subdivision shall be covered by this subtitle and included within the scope of its provisions and any such political subdivision shall constitute a "public body" within the meaning of the subtitle when the Secretary of State is notified in writing by the governing body that such action has been taken.

99.

(a) Any prospective bidder or his representative, any representative of any group of employers engaged in the particular type of construction involved, any representative of any classification of workmen, or the public body, within ten (10) days after the call for bids on the public work involved, may file with the Commissioner a verified petition, which sets forth the facts upon which it is based, to review the determination of any prevailing wage rate or rates.