

administer and enforce requirements with regard to ~~employees~~ certain employers; requiring the Commissioner to publish a certain wage rate under certain circumstances; requiring certain units of State government to adopt regulations and authorizing certain units to grant certain waivers; granting certain employees rights of free speech and association; requiring ~~covered~~ certain employers to post certain information; authorizing an employee to sue for certain ~~damages~~ wages under certain circumstances; providing certain remedies and certain procedural requirements; prohibiting an employer from retaliating against an employee based on a certain action; ~~providing for the application of this Act~~; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; requiring the Department of Legislative Services to study certain matters and report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring certain governmental units to cooperate with the Department and provide certain information in a certain manner; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to ~~levels of wages paid to employees under certain procurement contracts~~ the living wage.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 11–101(x)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 12–101(c); and 18–101 through 18–110, inclusive, to be under the new title “Title 18. Living Wage”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Finance and Procurement

11–101.

(x) (1) “Unit” means an officer or other entity that is in the Executive Branch of the State government and is authorized by law to enter into a procurement contract.

(2) “Unit” does not include:

(i) a bistate, multistate, bicounty, or multicounty governmental agency; or

(ii) a special tax district, sanitary district, drainage district, soil conservation district, water supply district, or other political subdivision of the State.