

HB 591 -- Publicly Financed Projects

Sponsor: Wildberger

This bill prohibits a person from employing or subcontracting with an illegal alien on any publicly financed project. All publicly financed project employers must require and review the documentation necessary to verify that the employee is not an illegal alien and is eligible for employment. Any employer in violation, in addition to any other penalty, will be fined \$10 per illegal worker per day and will not be eligible to bid on any publicly financed project for 10 years after the violation.

Currently, in a period of excessive unemployment, any person constructing or building a public works project must employ only Missouri laborers or laborers from nonrestrictive states. Any employer in violation will forfeit to the contracting political subdivision \$10 per nonqualifying laborer per day. The political subdivision awarding the public works project must withhold any amounts due as a result of the violation.