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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. JOYNER, BRONSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Labor -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to raising the minimum wage annually by a percentage which is based on inflation; and to repeal subdivision 6 of section 652 of the labor law relating thereto

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 652 of the labor law, as amended 2 by section 1 of part K of chapter 54 of the laws of 2016, is amended to 3 read as follows:

- 1. Statutory. Every employer shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than:
- 6 \$4.25 on and after April 1, 1991,
- 7 \$5.15 on and after March 31, 2000,
- 8 \$6.00 on and after January 1, 2005,
- 9 \$6.75 on and after January 1, 2006,
- 10 \$7.15 on and after January 1, 2007,
- 11 \$8.00 on and after December 31, 2013,
- 12 \$8.75 on and after December 31, 2014,
- 13 \$9.00 on and after December 31, 2015,
- and until December 31, 2016, or, if greater, such other wage as may be established by federal law pursuant to 29 U.S.C. section 206 or its successors or such other wage as may be established in accordance with the provisions of this article.
- 18 (a) New York City. (i) Large employers. Every employer of eleven or 19 more employees shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked 20 in the city of New York a wage of not less than:
- 21 \$11.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2016,
- 22 \$13.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2017,
- 23 \$15.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2018,

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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and on each following December thirty-first, a wage published by the commissioner on or before October first, based on the then current minimum wage increased by the rate of inflation, if greater than zero, for the most recent twelve month period ending June of that year based on the consumer price index for all urban consumers on a national and seasonally unadjusted basis (CPI-U), or a successor index as calculated by the United States department of labor, or, if greater, such other wage as may be established by federal law pursuant to 29 U.S.C. section 206 or its successors or such other wage as may be established in accordance with the provisions of this article.

- 11 (ii) Small employers. Every employer of ten or less employees shall 12 pay to each of its employees for each hour worked in the city of New 13 York a wage of not less than:
 - \$10.50 per hour on and after December 31, 2016,
 - \$12.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2017,
- \$13.50 per hour on and after December 31, 2018,

and on each following December thirty-first, a wage published by the commissioner on or before October first, based on the then current minimum wage increased by the rate of inflation, if greater than zero, for the most recent twelve month period ending June of that year based on the consumer price index for all urban consumers on a national and seasonally unadjusted basis (CPI-U), or a successor index as calculated by the United States department of labor, or, if greater, such other wage as may be established by federal law pursuant to 29 U.S.C. section 206 or its successors or such other wage as may be established in accordance with the provisions of this article.

- 28 (b) Remainder of downstate. Every employer shall pay to each of its 29 employees for each hour worked in the counties of Nassau, Suffolk and 30 Westchester a wage not less than:
 - \$10.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2016,
 - \$11.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2017,
- \$12.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2018,
- 34 \$13.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2019,
- 35 \$14.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2020,
 - \$15.00 per hour on and after December 31, 2021,

and on each following December thirty-first, a wage published by the commissioner on or before October first, based on the then current minimum wage increased by the rate of inflation, if greater than zero, for the most recent twelve month period ending June of that year based on the consumer price index for all urban consumers on a national and seasonally unadjusted basis (CPI-U), or a successor index as calculated by the United States department of labor, or, if greater, such other wage as may be established by federal law pursuant to 29 U.S.C. section 206 or its successors or such other wage as may be established in accordance with the provisions of this article.

- (c) Remainder of state. Every employer shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked outside of the city of New York and the counties of Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester, a wage of not less than:
- \$9.70 on and after December 31, 2016,
- \$10.40 on and after December 31, 2017,
- 52 \$11.10 on and after December 31, 2018,
- 53 \$11.80 on and after December 31, 2019,
- \$12.50 on and after December 31, 2020,
- 55 <u>\$13.33 on and after December 31, 2021,</u>
- 56 \$14.16 on and after December 31, 2022,

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\$15.00 on and after December 31, 2023,

2 and on each following December thirty-first, a wage published by the 3 commissioner on or before October first, based on the then current minimum wage increased by [a percentage determined by the director of the 5 budget in consultation with the commissioner, with the result rounded to the nearest five cents, totaling no more than fifteen dollars, where the 7 percentage increase shall be based on indices including, but not limited 8 to, (i) the rate of inflation for the most recent twelve month period 9 ending June of that year based on the consumer price index for all urban 10 consumers on a national and seasonally unadjusted basis (CPI-U), or a successor index as calculated by the United States department of labor, 11 12 (ii) the rate of state personal income growth for the prior calendar year, or a successor index, published by the bureau of economic analysis 13 14 of the United States department of commerce, or (iii) wage growth;] the rate of inflation, if greater than zero, for the most recent twelve 15 month period ending June of that year based on the consumer price 16 17 index for all urban consumers on a national and seasonally unadjusted basis (CPI-U), or a successor index as calculated by the 18 United States department of labor, or, if greater, such other wage as 19 may be established by federal law pursuant to 29 U.S.C. section 206 or 20 21 its successors or such other wage as may be established in accordance 22 with the provisions of this article.

- (d) The rates and schedules established in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subdivision shall not be deemed to be the minimum wage under this subdivision for purposes of the calculations specified in subdivisions one and two of section five hundred twenty-seven of this chapter.
 - § 2. Subdivision 6 of section 652 of the labor law is REPEALED.
- 28 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.