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Introduced by M. of A. HEASTIE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to authorizing local wage standards higher than the state labor wage

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The labor law is amended by adding a new section 666 to read as follows:

S 666. LOCAL WAGE STANDARDS. NOTHING IN THIS CHAPTER, THE MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW OR THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SHALL PROHIBIT THE ADOPTION OF ANY MINIMUM STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW, POLICY, CONTRACT OR PREFERENCE, OR BY A PUBLIC BENEFITS CORPORATION, OR ANY RULE OR REGULATION ISSUED THEREUNDER, RELATING TO WAGES, HOURS, OR OTHER WORKING CONDITIONS, OR THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF, WHICH ARE MORE FAVORABLE TO EMPLOYEES THAN THE MINIMUM STANDARDS APPLICABLE UNDER THIS ARTICLE. A COUNTY, CITY TOWN, VILLAGE OR PUBLIC BENEFITS CORPORATION MAY ADOPT SUCH STANDARDS, WHICH SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ENFORCEMENT BY ANY MEANS PROVIDED BY LAW, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE AUTHORIZED BY THE COUNTY, CITY, TOWN, VILLAGE OR PUBLIC BENEFITS CORPORATION, AND MAY ALSO BE ENFORCED BY THE COMMISSIONER USING ANY AND ALL ENFORCEMENT METHODS PERMITTED BY THIS CHAPTER FOR ENFORCEMENT OF WAGE STANDARDS AND PAYMENT.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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