

Senate Bill 200

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Fort of the 39th, Rhett of the 33rd and Harbison of the 15th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state
2 government general provisions, so as to provide for a minimum wage for state contractors
3 and state employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for an increase in the minimum
4 wage; to provide for annual minimum wage increases to match the rising cost of living; to
5 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government
9 general provisions, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

10 "50-1-10.

11 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'public employer' means every department,
12 board, bureau, commission, authority, or other agency of the State of Georgia.

13 (b) A public employer shall pay or cause to be paid under the terms of any contract with
14 or in the direct employment of any employee by such public employer a minimum wage
15 which shall not be less than \$10.10 per hour for each hour worked in the employment of
16 such public employer or under any contract with such public employer. On January 1,
17 2016, and on January 1 of each successive year thereafter, the minimum wage shall be
18 increased by the same percentage as the increase in the cost of living, if any.

19 (c) On September 30, 2015, and on September 30 of each successive year thereafter, the
20 Georgia Department of Labor shall measure the increase in the cost of living as being the
21 percentage increase as of the preceding July over the July level of the immediately
22 preceding year according to the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and
23 Clerical Workers or its successor index as published by the United States Department of
24 Labor or its successor agency. Each adjusted minimum wage rate calculated shall be
25 published by the Georgia Department of Labor and take effect on the following January 1."

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.