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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to prevailing wages; modifying highway and heavy construction wages;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 177.42, subdivision 4.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 177.42, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 4. **Prevailing hours of labor.** (a) "Prevailing hours of labor" means the hours of  
1.7 labor per day and per week worked within the area by a larger number of workers of the  
1.8 same class than are employed within the area for any other number of hours per day and  
1.9 per week. The prevailing hours of labor may not be more than eight hours per day or more  
1.10 than 40 hours per week, except as provided in paragraph (b).

1.11 (b) For highway and heavy construction projects, the prevailing hours of labor may not  
1.12 be more than ten hours per day or more than 40 hours per week. For the purposes of this  
1.13 subdivision, "highway and heavy construction" means all construction projects that are  
1.14 similar in nature to those projects based upon bids as provided under section 161.32 for the  
1.15 construction or maintenance of highways or other public works and includes roads, highways,  
1.16 streets, airport runways, bridges, power plants, dams, and utilities. For the purposes of this  
1.17 subdivision, "utilities" includes an underground line, facility, system, and its appurtenances  
1.18 used to produce, store, convey, transmit, or distribute communications, data, electricity,  
1.19 power, heat, gas, oil, petroleum products, water including storm water, steam, sewage, and  
1.20 other similar substances.