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Summary of Legislation
September 2011

Prevailing Wage Package Moves Forward

After months of speculation about which prevailing wage bills the House Labor and Industry committee would advance, a package of 6 prevailing wage bills were voted out of the House Labor committee on October 3rd. The committee originally had scheduled 7 bills for votes but **House Bill 1367** was pulled from the agenda. The committee had held 3 public hearings on various "reform" bills earlier in the year. The bills are highly controversial and each was reported out of committee along straight party line votes, Republicans for and Democrats against. A couple of the bills were amended first though. In particular, House Bill 1685 was changed to remove the reference to the Occupational Outlook Handbook as the guideline for craft definitions and new language was added that allows the Secretary of Labor and Industry to establish craft classification definitions. Essentially, this would replace the historical "custom and usage" rule in defining craft classes.

Democrats offered amendments to each bill attempting to include provisions requiring E-verify, language statutorily prohibiting workers from kicking back wages to employers as well as other common sense ideas, but Republicans rejected them all, again along party lines. The bills have now been placed on the House Calendar for 1st reading. Typically the next step is re-referral to the House Appropriations committee for a fiscal note. At this time, there is no definite time table for a floor vote, but it could come before the end of October, or may never come depending on the pleasure of the House leadership. Everyone is strongly encouraged to contact their state House member and ask that they oppose all of the bills.

All 7 of the bills amend the prevailing wage act. Here is a layman's description of each bill:

House Bill 1271- Redefines the definition of "maintenance" to broaden it (maintenance is not covered by the state prevailing wage law). This bill is primarily aimed at reversing a court ruling that decided that "road milling" is covered by prevailing wage.

House Bill 1685- Originally made the Occupational Outlook Handbook of the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics the source for craft definitions, but the amended bill gives authority to the Secretary of Labor and Industry to define classifications using a wide variety of information as the basis.

House Bill 1329- Increase the threshold of when prevailing wages apply from \$25k to \$185k.

House Bill 1367- States that the Secretary of Labor & Industry shall base prevailing wage rates on data from the Center for Workforce and Analysis.

House Bill 1541- Limits applicability of the prevailing wage law to only those projects that receive 51% or more funding from a public body.

House Bill 709- Exempts school districts from prevailing wage law.

House Bill 1191- Exempts local governments (political subdivisions) from prevailing wage law.

Legislative Activity

The following bills were acted on by the General Assembly this month.

[HB 278](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1426) Amends The Second Class Township Code, in contracts, to provide for increased base amounts for when contracts need to be bid and to provide for bidding adjustments to the base amounts by the Department of Labor and Industry. Contracts in excess of \$25,000 require advertisement and public bidding, up from \$10,000; a phone quotation is needed from at least three bidders for contracts in excess of \$10,000, up from \$4,000.

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 279](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1427) Amends the First Class Township Code, in contracts, to require the bidding and selection of lowest bidder for contracts or purchasing over a base amount \$25,000. Written or telephonic bidding is required for contracts in excess of \$10,000, up from \$4,000. How the base amount may be adjusted is provided. (Prior Printer Number: 232)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 280](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1428) Amends The Third Class City Code, in contracts, to provide for the bidding of contracts in excess of a base amount of \$25,000, up from \$10,000, and providing for adjustments by the to the base amount. (Prior Printer Number: 233)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 281](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1429) Amends The Borough Code, in contracts, to provide for increased base amounts for when contracts need to be bid and to provide for bidding adjustments by the Department of Labor and Industry. Contracts in excess of the base of \$25,000 require advertisement for bidding, up from \$10,000; a phone quotation is needed from at least three bidders for contracts in excess of \$10,000, up from \$4,000. Adjustments to base amounts are provided for. (Prior Printer Number: 234)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 282](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1430) Amends the act entitled "An act relating to and regulating the contracts of incorporated towns and providing penalties" by stating that contracts or purchases in excess of a base amount of \$25,000 (increased from \$10,000) must be competitively bid. Written or telephonic quotes would be required for any contracts over a base of \$10,000 (increased from \$4,000) The base amounts would be adjusted annually based on the consumer price index. (Prior Printer Number: 235)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 284](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1431) Amends The County Code, in contracts, to provide for increased amounts for when contracts need to be bid and to provide for bidding adjustments by the Department of Labor and Industry. Contracts in excess of a base of \$25,000 require advertisement and public bidding, up from \$10,000; a phone quotation is needed from at least three bidders for contracts in excess of a base amount of \$10,000, up from \$4,000. Adjustments to the base amount are provided for. (Prior Printer Number: 237)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 288](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1434) Amends the Public Auditorium Authorities Law by stating that contracts or purchases in excess of a base amount of \$25,000 (increased from \$10,000) must be competitively bid. Written or telephonic quotes would be required for any contracts over a base amount \$10,000 (increased from \$4,000). These base amounts shall be adjusted according to a formula in the bill. (Prior Printer Number: 241)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 289](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1435) Amends the act "to authorize and empower cities, boroughs, towns, and townships, separately or jointly, to provide for protection against floods by erecting and constructing certain works and improvements, located within or without their territorial limits, and within or without the county in which situate; and to expend moneys and incur indebtedness; to assess benefits against property benefited; to issue improvement bonds imposing no municipal liability; and to acquire, take, injure or destroy property for such purposes" providing contracts over a base amount \$25,000 (increased from \$10,000) must be advertised in a newspaper; the threshold is subject to annual adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index; bids must be accepted from at least three contractors for projects over a base amount \$10,000 (increased from \$4,000). Adjustments to these base amounts are provided for. (Prior Printer Number: 242)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 290](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)

(PN 1436) Amends Second Class County Code, in preliminary provisions, requiring annual adjustments based on CPI-U; and increasing the minimum threshold for contracts that must be competitively bid \$10,000 to a base of \$25,000. Adjustments to the base amount are provided for. (Prior Printer Number: 243)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011

Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[HB 291](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (by Rep. Mark Keller, et al)
(PN 1437) Amends Title 53 (Municipalities) further providing for competitive bidding of contracts relating to intergovernmental cooperation by requiring annual adjustments based on CPI-U, and increasing the minimum threshold for contracts that must be competitively bid from \$10,000 to a base amount of \$25,000. Adjustments to this base amount are provided for. (Prior Printer Number: 244)

Reported as amended from Senate Local Government Committee, and read first time, 9/27/2011
Rereferred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 281](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. John Eichelberger, et al)
Amends the County Code increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$25,000 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 282](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. Bob Robbins, et al)
Amends the Third Class County Code increasing the minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding from \$10,000 to \$18,500. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 283](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. Lisa Baker, et al)
Amends the Second Class Township Code increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 284](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. John Eichelberger, et al)
Amends the First Class Township Code, increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 285](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. Mike Folmer, et al)
(PN 319) Amends the Borough Code increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 286](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. John Gordner, et al)

Amends an act relating to and regulating the contracts of incorporated towns and providing penalties increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 287](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. Jim Ferlo, et al)

Amends Titles 53 (Municipalities Generally) and 74 (Transportation) further providing for competitive bidding of contracts by intergovernmental units, by parking authorities, by municipal authorities and metro transit authorities, increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 288](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. John Rafferty et al)

Amends the Second Class County Code increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 289](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. Jim Ferlo, et al)

Amends an act to authorize cities, boroughs, etc., increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill also provides for violations.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 290](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (By Sen. Mike Brubaker, et al)

Amends the Political Subdivision Joint Purchases Law increasing the minimum dollar amount of purchases that may be made subject to certain conditions from a threshold of \$10,000 to \$18,500 overall. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation. The bill provides requirements for counties and municipal governments with respect to the law.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 291](#) RE: Competitive Bidding Thresholds (by Sen. Jim Ferlo, et al)
Amends the Public Auditorium Authorities Law increasing the dollar amount of supplies and materials which may be purchased without advertising from \$10,000 to \$18,500. The minimum threshold for requiring competitive bidding is increased from \$4,000 to \$10,000. In addition, the bill requires the Department of Labor & Industry to calculate the average percentage change in the CPI-U every five years and for the minimum amounts for which competitive bidding is required to be adjusted based on that recalculation.

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 293](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (By Sen. Mike Brubaker, et al)
(PN 971) Amends the State Public School Building Authority Act adjusting the minimum threshold for requiring a competitive bidding process from \$4,000 to a base amount of \$18,500 contract, subject to adjustment based on period recalculations in the CPI-U. The bill provides penalties for violations. (Prior Printer Number: 267)

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 296](#) RE: Bidding Thresholds (By Sen. Mike Brubaker, et al)
(PN 972) Amends the Public School Code adjusting the minimum threshold for requiring a competitive bidding process from \$10,000 to a base amount of \$18,500 contract, subject to adjustment based on period recalculations in the CPI-U. (Prior Printer Number: 270)

Reported as amended Senate Appropriations Committee, and read second time, 9/21/2011
1 Floor amendment(s) adopted, 9/26/2011
Read third time and passed Senate, 9/27, 2011 (48-0)
Received in the House and referred to House Local Government Committee, 9/28/2011

[SB 405](#) RE: Mercantile or Business Privilege Tax (Sen. Pat Browne et al)
Amends the Local Tax Enabling Act to limit a local taxing authority's ability to levy a mercantile or business privilege tax to only where such transactions take place. A taxpayer may exclude such gross receipts from any tax on or measured by such gross receipts which is imposed by a jurisdiction in which the taxpayer maintains a base of operations. Where a business has more than one base of operations, the taxes collected by a local jurisdiction may be only for the local base of operations. Pertinent definitions are provided.

Reported as amended from Senate Appropriations Committee, 9/19/2011
Read second time, 9/26/2011

[SB 1030](#) RE: Definition of "Credit Week" (By Sen. John Gordner, et al)
Amends the Unemployment Compensation Law to provide circumstances under which an employer may be relieved of paying unemployment compensation benefits. The definition of "credit week" is changed to any week in which the employee is paid not less than \$100 (to expire December 31, 2014) and starting in 2015 the definition is 16 times the minimum hourly wage required by the Minimum Wage Act. The bill provides for weekly benefit computation and a formula is provided detailing the rate and amount of compensation. If an employee's weekly benefit rate is less than \$70 they shall not receive compensation. The process and procedure of filing a request for relief of unemployment compensation benefits is provided. Such relief attaches to other applications for benefits unless terminated.

Discussed in Joint Public Hearing of House Labor and Industry and Senate Labor and Industry Committees, 8/9/2011

New Bills Introduced

The following bills have been introduced in the General Assembly this month.

[HB 1834](#) RE: Public-Private Transportation Partnership (by Rep. Dwight Evans, et al)
Amends Titles 72 (Taxation and Fiscal Affairs), 74 (Transportation) and 75 (Vehicles), in taxation and fiscal affairs, imposing an eight percent oil company gross profits tax to be deposited in the Oil Company Gross Profits Tax Account; in sustainable mobility options, further providing for Public Transportation Trust Fund, for application and approval process and for asset improvement program; providing for imposition and allocation of surcharges, for

minimum qualifications for governing board members, for best practices for transit-oriented development and for Legislative Budget and Finance Committee reviews; in transportation, providing for public-private transportation partnership; establishing the Public-Private Transportation Account and the Public-Private Transportation Partnership Board; in vehicles, further providing for various vehicle fees and for the imposition of the **oil company franchise tax for highway maintenance and construction**; providing for an annual adjustment to fees; and making a related repeal. Initially, \$1 million shall be appropriated to the Office of Attorney General to carry out the provisions of section 2206(c) (relating to cost of tax and penalties); \$17,500,000 shall be transferred from the account to the General Fund, 80 percent of the money remaining in the account shall be transferred to the Public Transportation Trust Fund, and the remainder to the Motor License Fund. All money transferred to the Motor License Fund is to be allocated as follows: (1) 87 percent to be used for state roads and bridges; (2) 11 percent for municipal roads and bridges distributed to municipalities pursuant to the Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law; and (3) Two percent for county roads and bridges distributed to counties. All money transferred to the Public Transportation Trust Fund is to be allocated as follows: (1) 85.8 percent for financial assistance under 74 Pa.C.S. 1514 (relating to asset improvement program); and (2) 14.2 percent for financial assistance under 74 Pa.C.S. 1513 (relating to operating program).

Introduced and referred to House Finance Committee, 9/26/2011

[HB 1865](#) RE: Unconventional Well Impact Fee Act (by Rep. Curt Schroder, et al)

Imposes an unconventional well impact fee which shall be deposited in the newly established **Marcellus Shale Impact Fund and Marcellus Shale Roadway Repair Account**. The Department of Environmental Protection shall calculate the fee by using a formula which adds the total eligible environmental costs from the prior calendar year and the total eligible transportation costs from the prior calendar year, as determined by the Department of Transportation, divided by the total number of unconventional wells operated within this Commonwealth in the prior calendar year. The Secretary of the Budget shall annually transfer an amount equal to the total costs to the Commonwealth and its municipalities for eligible transportation costs for the prior calendar year, as determined by the Department of Transportation, from the fund to the account. The Department of Transportation shall make available a minimum of 25% of the funds in the account through a grant program to counties and municipalities for the maintenance and repair of highways, roadways and bridges or transportation problems determined to have been impacted by or caused by the process of drilling unconventional wells and may use up to 70% of the account for maintenance and repair of state-owned or interstate highways, roadways and bridges or transportation problems determined to have been impacted by or caused by the process of drilling unconventional wells. The Departments of Environmental Protection and Transportation shall annually report on the projects and services provided by the money.

Introduced and referred to House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee, 9/26/2011

[SB 1233](#) RE: Plumbing Contractors Licensure Act (By Sen. Tim Solobay, et al)

Provides for the biennial licensure of plumbing contractors; establishes the State Board of Plumbing Contractors within the Department of Labor and Industry and provides for its powers and duties; confers powers and imposes duties on the Department of Labor and Industry; establishes fees, fines and civil penalties; creates the Plumbing Contractors Licensure Account and makes an appropriation of \$85,000 to the Department of Labor and Industry for the payment of costs associated with processing licenses and renewing licenses, for the operation of the board and for other costs associated with this act. The appropriation shall be repaid by the department within three years of the beginning of issuance of licenses by the board.

Introduced and referred to Senate Consumer Protection & Prof. Licensure Committee, 9/7/2011

[SB 1248](#) RE: State Apprenticeship and Commission Training Act (by Sen. Mike Folmer, et al)

Establishes the State Apprenticeship and Training Commission; provides for the transfer of functions of the State Apprenticeship and Training Council; provides the powers and duties of the executive director; and establishes the State Apprenticeship Advisory Council.

Introduced and referred to Senate Labor and Industry Committee, 9/20/2011

Upcoming meetings of Interest

MONDAY - 10/3/11

House Labor and Industry Committee

11:00 a.m., Room 205, Ryan Office Building

To consider:

[HB 1271](#) (Marsico) - Amends PA Prevailing Wage Act further providing for definitions.

[HB 1685](#) (Bear) - Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further providing for definitions and for administration.

[HB 1329](#) (Fred Keller) - Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act raising the threshold for applicability.

[HB 1367](#) (Miller) - Amends Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further providing for administration.

[HB 1541](#) (Perry) - Amends Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further providing for definitions.

[HB 709](#) (Kampf) - Amends Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further providing for definitions; and providing for school district options.

[HB 1191](#) (Marsico) - Amends PA Prevailing Wage Act excluding political subdivisions from the act; and authorizing optional prevailing wage ordinances.

TUESDAY - 10/4/11

House Transportation Committee

10:00 a.m., Room B-31 Main Capitol

To consider: [HB 1698](#) (Heffley) - Supplement to the Highway-Railroad and Highway Bridge Capital Budget Act itemizing additional State and local bridge projects.

TUESDAY - 10/11/11

Senate Labor and Industry Committee

10:00 a.m., Chambersburg Area School District, Administration Building,

435 Stanley Avenue, Chambersburg

Public hearing on:

[SB 820](#) (Smucker) - Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further providing for duty of secretary.

[SB 821](#) (Smucker) - Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further defining "public work."

[SB 822](#) (Smucker) - Amends the PA Prevailing Wage Act further providing for definitions.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Uniform Construction Code Review and Advisory Council Meeting

The Uniform Construction Code Review and Advisory Council will hold a meeting on **Thursday, October 20, 2011**, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Breaker and Colliery Rooms, Comfort Inn, 58 State Route 93, West Hazelton, PA 18202.

Additional information concerning the meeting may be found on the Department of Labor and Industry web site at www.dli.state.pa.us. Scroll down and click on the link for UCC Review and Advisory Council. Questions concerning this meeting may be directed to Edward Leister, (717) 783-6304.

2011 SENATE SESSION SCHEDULE

October 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 31

November 1, 14, 15, 16

December 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14

2011 HOUSE SESSION SCHEDULE

October 3, 4, 5, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, and 31

November 1, 2, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, and 23

December 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, and 14

Copies of all bills of interest can be accessed via the Internet at:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/WU01/LI/BI/billroom.htm>