

March 28, 2019

To the Members of the General Assembly

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Article II, Section 17(b), of the Maryland Constitution states:

Section 17.

(b) If any Bill presented to the Governor while the General Assembly is in session is not returned by him with his objections within six days (Sundays excepted), the Bill shall be a law in the like manner as if he signed it, unless the General Assembly, by adjournment, prevents its return, in which case it shall not be a law.

Having chosen not to sign the following bill after formal presentment and allow the provisions of Article II, Section 17(b) to determine the effectiveness of the legislation, the bill will become law without the Governor's signature as of midnight, March 28, 2019, and is assigned the following chapter number:

SB 300

Chapter 9

Senator Benson, et al

**PREVAILING WAGE RATES – PUBLIC WORK CONTRACTS –
SUITS BY EMPLOYEES**

Authorizing certain employees to sue to recover the difference between certain prevailing wage rates and certain amounts under certain circumstances; providing that a certain determination by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry does not preclude certain employees from filing a certain action; and providing for the liability of certain contractors and subcontractors under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

Sincerely,

Victoria L. Gruber
Executive Director