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HB956

<u>Labor and Employment-Wage Payment and Collection-General</u> <u>Contractor Liability</u>

What does the Bill do?

This bill specifies that a general contractor on a project for construction services is jointly and severally liable for specified violations of the Maryland Wage Payment and Collection Law committed by a subcontractor only if an employee (whose wages were withheld in violation of the law by a subcontractor) notifies the general contractor, in writing, that the violation occurred and the general contractor fails to cure the violation within 30 days.

Why is it important to pass now?

The bill is important to pass because it gives the general contractor the ability to know a violation has been alleged and to cure that violation free of court intervention.