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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Delegate Arnick**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Minimum Wage - Implementation of Increased Minimum Wage**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing certain employers to delay the payment of a certain  
4 minimum wage rate and tip credit for a certain number of days after the  
5 effective date of a certain Act; making this Act an emergency measure; and  
6 generally relating to the payment of wages.

7 Preamble

8 WHEREAS, The General Assembly of Maryland overrode the Governor's veto of  
9 House Bill 391 of the 2005 Session, which increased the State's minimum wage rate  
10 and tip credit, on January 17, 2006; and

11 WHEREAS, As a result of the veto override, House Bill 391 of the 2005 Session  
12 was enacted as Chapter 2 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006 on January 17,  
13 2006; and

14 WHEREAS, Chapter 2 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006 is to take  
15 effect on February 16, 2006; and

16 WHEREAS, The 30-day notice of the effective date of the new minimum wage  
17 rate and tip credit established by Chapter 2 of the Acts of the General Assembly of  
18 2006 hinders the ability of State employers to implement the provisions of Chapter 2  
19 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006 in a timely manner; now, therefore,

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
21 MARYLAND, That, notwithstanding Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2006, an employer may  
22 delay the payment of the minimum wage rate and tip credit established by Chapter 2  
23 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006 for not more than 10 days after the  
24 effective date of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2006.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency  
26 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,  
27 has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members  
28 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from  
29 the date it is enacted.

