

Section 4. This act shall take effect September one, one thousand nine hundred fifty-six. Effective date.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 668

AN ACT

Enabling governing bodies of cities of the second class to establish by ordinance the requirements of responsible bidders for city printing.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The governing bodies of any city of the second class may, by proper ordinance, require that printing firms who are desirous of presenting bids for city printing, shall be required to establish consideration as responsible bidders, as follows:

(1) That the printing firms shall file, with the city clerk, a sworn statement to the effect that employes, in the employ of the firm or firms which are to produce the printing, are receiving the prevailing wage rate, and are working under conditions prevalent in the locality in which the work is produced.

(2) That whenever a collective bargaining agreement is in effect between an employer and employes who are represented by a responsible organization which is in no way influenced or controlled by the management, the agreement and its provisions shall be considered as conditions prevalent in said locality and shall be the minimum requirements for being adjudged a responsible bidder under this act.

(3) That in case any dispute arises as to what is the prevailing rate of wages for work applicable to the contract, which cannot be adjudged by the head of the department requiring the printing, the matter shall be referred to the city council and its decision by a majority vote thereon shall be conclusive.

(4) The words "prevailing wage rate," as used in this act, shall be construed to mean at least the minimum wages which are received by employes of any printing firm or firms, in second class counties, as a result of collective bargaining agreements negotiated by an em-

Cities of second class.

Printers required to establish responsibility for contracts with cities of the second class.

Sworn statement as to payment of prevailing wage rate.

Collective bargaining agreement to be considered.

Decision of city council to be conclusive in disputes.

Definition—"prevailing wage rate."

ployer or employers with a responsible organization representing the employes. If the wage rates, so arrived at, vary in any district in such county, then any printing firm which pays wages at least equal to those provided for in any of such agreements, shall, for the purposes of this act, be deemed to be paying the prevailing wage rate.

Act effective immediately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 669

AN ACT

Amending the act of July twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 723), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second class; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," enabling county commissioners to establish, by resolution, the requirements of responsible bidders for county printing.

Second Class County Code.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Act of July 28, 1953, P. L. 723, amended by adding a new section 2002.

Section 1. The act of July twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 723), known as the "Second Class County Code," is amended by adding, after section 2001, a new section to read:

Printers required to establish responsibility for contracts with counties of the second class.

*Section 2002. Printing Contracts.—The county commissioners may, by proper resolution, require that printing firms who are desirous of presenting bids for county printing, shall be required to establish consideration as responsible bidders by all of the following:*

Sworn statement as to payment of prevailing wage rate.

*(1) That the printing firms shall file, with the chief clerk of the county commissioners, a sworn statement to the effect that employes, in the employ of the firm or firms which are to produce the printing, are receiving the prevailing wage rate, and are working under conditions prevalent in the locality in which the work is produced.*

Collective bargaining agreement to be considered.

*(2) That whenever a collective bargaining agreement shall be in effect between an employer and \*employes who are represented by a responsible organization which is in no way influenced or controlled by the management, the agreement and its provisions shall be considered as conditions prevalent in the locality and shall be the minimum requirements for being adjudged a responsible bidder under this act.*

\*"employes" in original.