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**LIMIT APPLICATION OF  
PREVAILING WAGE LAW**

**House Bill 4327**

**Sponsor: Rep. Wayne Kuipers**

**House Bills 4329 and 4383**

**Sponsor: Rep. Robert Gosselin**

**Committee: Employment Relations,  
Training and Safety**

**Complete to 3-1-01**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILLS 4327, 4329 AND 4383 AS INTRODUCED 2-22-01 AND  
2-28-01**

Generally, Michigan's prevailing wage law, Public Act 166 of 1965, requires that wages and fringe benefits paid by contractors on state construction projects financed in whole or in part by state funds (including local school construction) must not be less than the wages and fringe benefits prevailing in the locality where the work is to be performed. The law is administered by the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, which determines the required prevailing rates in various areas of the state.

House Bill 4383 would amend the prevailing wage law (MCL 408.551) to exempt from the law construction projects involving public schools, public bridges, public highways, and public roads. Local and intermediate school districts and public school academies would be excluded from the definition of "contracting agent" for purposes of applying the prevailing wage requirement. House Bill 4329 would amend the Revised School Code (MCL 380.503 and 380.1311e) to delete requirements that public school academies and strict discipline academies adhere to the requirements of the prevailing wage law. House Bill 4327 would amend the Michigan Transportation Fund act (MCL 247.660a) to eliminate references to the prevailing wage law.

House Bill 4327 (3-1-01)

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