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DIGEST

SB 269 Original

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<u>Proposed law</u> establishes a state minimum wage and sets it at \$8.00 per hour beginning January 1, 2017.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the state minimum wage shall be \$8.50 per hour beginning on January 1, 2018.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that if the federal minimum wage is raised, the state minimum wage shall also be raised to that level.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides a civil fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000 per employee for failure to pay minimum wage.

<u>Proposed law</u> further requires that an employer who fails to pay his employee minimum wage shall pay the employee the difference between what the employee was paid and minimum wage.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that Louisiana Workforce Commission shall be in charge of enforcement of the minimum wage laws and authorizes the agency to promulgate rules and regulations necessary in its implementation.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the procedure for the executive director of LWC to impose penalties by means of an adjudicatory hearing.

<u>Proposed law</u> excludes student workers employed by the state and by state colleges and universities from the minimum wage requirement.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 23:671-674)