LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

Bill No.
as introduced, Hagman.

General Subject: Prevailing wages: worker classification.

Existing law requires that workers employed on public works, as defined, be paid not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for work of a similar character in the locality that the public work is performed, as prescribed. Existing law requires the Director of Industrial Relations to conform to certain standards and to use a specified methodology when determining the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality where the public work is performed. Existing law requires the body awarding a contract for public work to obtain the general prevailing wage rate from the Director of Industrial Relations for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the contract. Under the law, the rate fixed for each craft, classification, or type of work shall not be less than the prevailing rate paid in the craft, classification, or type of work.
This bill would require the Director of Industrial Relations, in determining the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for laborer and related classifications for specified projects, to establish a separate group subclassification for final cleanup laborers. Under the bill, the scope of work for a final cleanup laborer includes performing final cleanup on building construction projects prior to occupancy.