REFERENCE TITLE: minimum wage; disabled employees

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## **HB 2318**

Introduced by

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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 23-363, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGES.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Subject to the requirements of article IV, part 1, section 1, Constitution of Arizona, section 23-363, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

## 23-363. Minimum wage

- A. Employers shall pay employees no less than the minimum wage, which shall be six dollars and seventy-five cents (\$6.75) an hour beginning on January 1, 2007.
- B. The minimum wage shall be increased on January 1, 2008 and on January 1 of successive years by the increase in the cost of living. The increase in the cost of living shall be measured by the percentage increase as of August of the immediately preceding year over the level as of August of the previous year of the consumer price index (all urban consumers, U.S. city average for all items) or its successor index as published by the U.S. department of labor or its successor agency, with the amount of the minimum wage increase rounded to the nearest multiple of five cents.
- C. For any employee who customarily and regularly receives tips or gratuities from patrons or others, the employer may pay a wage up to \$3.00 per hour less than the minimum wage if the employer can establish by its records of charged tips or by the employee's declaration for federal insurance contributions act (FICA) purposes that for each week, when adding tips received to wages paid, the employee received not less than the minimum wage for all hours worked. Compliance with this provision will be determined by averaging tips received by the employee over the course of the employer's payroll period or any other period selected by the employer that complies with regulations adopted by the commission.
- D. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO EMPLOYEES WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE COVERED BY A SPECIAL CERTIFICATE THAT IS ISSUED UNDER SECTION 14(c) OF THE FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT OF 1938 (29 UNITED STATES CODE SECTION 214(c)).

## Sec. 2. Requirements for enactment: three-fourths vote

Pursuant to article IV, part 1, section 1, Constitution of Arizona, section 23-363, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, is effective only on the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of each house of the legislature.

## Sec. 3. Emergency

This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by law.

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