

109<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 5545

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 7, 2006

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “\_\_\_\_\_ Act of 2006”.

1 **SEC. 2. WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO**  
2 **PROJECTS FUNDED THROUGH NIH.**

3 Part H of title IV of the Public Health Service Act  
4 (42 U.S.C. 289 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
5 the following:

6 **“SEC. 498D. WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO**  
7 **PROJECTS FUNDED THROUGH NIH.**

8 “The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall  
9 require that each entity that applies to the National Insti-  
10 tutes of Health or any component thereof for a loan, loan  
11 guarantee, grant, contract, or cooperative agreement for  
12 any project shall include in its application reasonable as-  
13 surance that all laborers and mechanics employed by con-  
14 tractors or subcontractors in the performance of construc-  
15 tion or modernization on the project will be paid wages  
16 at rates not less than those prevailing on similar work in  
17 the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in  
18 accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of part A  
19 of subtitle II of title 40, United States Code (commonly  
20 referred to as the ‘Davis-Bacon Act’).”.

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