

110TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 2375

To provide wage parity for certain prevailing rate employees in Southeastern  
Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 17, 2007

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. KENNEDY,  
and Mr. LANGEVIN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to  
the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## A BILL

To provide wage parity for certain prevailing rate employees  
in Southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

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 “Southeastern Massa-  
5 chusetts and Rhode Island Federal Worker Fairness Act  
6 of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. WAGE PARITY FOR CERTAIN PREVAILING RATE EM-**  
2 **PLOYEES IN SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHU-**  
3 **SETTS AND RHODE ISLAND.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of determining the  
5 rate of pay for any prevailing rate employee working in  
6 the Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Wage Area, the wage  
7 schedule and rates to be used shall be the same as if such  
8 employee were instead working in the Boston, Massachu-  
9 setts Wage Area.

10 (b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section—

11 (1) the term “prevailing rate employee” has the  
12 meaning given such term by section 5342 of title 5,  
13 United States Code; and

14 (2) the term “wage area” refers to a wage area  
15 under section 5343 of title 5, United States Code.

16 (c) REGULATIONS.—The Office of Personnel Man-  
17 agement may prescribe any regulations necessary to carry  
18 out the purposes of this Act.

19 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

20 This Act shall apply with respect to pay periods be-  
21 ginning on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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