

What is AB 2143 & PUC §769.2?

Assembly Bill (AB) 2143, introduced by Assembly Member Carrillo, added Section 769.2 to the Public Utilities Code (PUC). PUC §769.2 requires prevailing wages for construction workers of renewable energy facilities using the net energy metering or net billing tariffs.

To ensure contractor compliance with AB 2143 and PUC 769.2 requirements, the Solar-Utilities Reporting, Guidance, and Education (SURGE) initiative was created under direction of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). SURGE has developed a system for contractors to submit their copies of certified payroll records to show that they paid with prevailing wages.

AB 2143

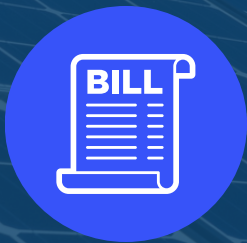
Establishes requirements related to prevailing wages for construction workers and apprentices involved in large customer-sited renewable electrical generation (solar) facilities.

PUC §769.2

Mandates that contractors who enter into a contract to perform qualified work on a renewable electrical generation facility or associated battery storage do all of the following:

- 1 Pay each construction worker employed in the execution of the work, at minimum, the general prevailing rate of per diem wages.
- 2 Maintain and verify payroll records and make those records available for inspection and copying as provided in that section.
- 3 Submit biannually, on July 1 and December 31 of each year, to the commission digital copies of its certified payroll records for projects subject to this section.

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