

HR 239

Working Americans Growing the Economy (WAGE) Act of 2007

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Labor and Employment

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	May 9, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Labor and Employment

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HR 2	Related bill	<b>Feb 1, 2007:</b> Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 94 - 3. Record Vote Number: 42. (text: CR S1500-1511)
110 S 347	Related bill	<b>Jan 22, 2007:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
110 S 2	Related bill	<b>Jan 8, 2007:</b> Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 2.

Working Americans Growing the Economy (WAGE) Act of 2007 - Amends the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to increase the federal minimum wage to: (1) \$5.85 an hour, beginning on the 60th day after enactment of this Act; (2) \$6.55 an hour, beginning 12 months after that 60th day; and (3) \$7.25 an hour, beginning 24 months after that 60th day.

States that, if an employer provides an employee with health care or child care benefits of at least \$2,500 per year, the applicable minimum wage rate paid to such employee shall be: (1) \$5.15 an hour, beginning on the 60th day after enactment of this Act; (2) \$5.55 an hour, beginning 12 months after that 60th day; and (3) \$6.25 an hour, beginning 24 months after that 60th day.

Requires the Secretary of Labor to: (1) define the categories of health care benefits and child care benefits which qualify an employer to pay the latter rates; and (2) establish a method for determining the value of such benefits.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **May 9, 2007:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 4, 2007:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.