

Abstract of the Equal Pay Law

Must be Posted in a Conspicuous Place in Every Pennsylvania Business Governed by the Equal Pay Law

Discrimination on Basis of Sex Prohibited:

Prohibits discrimination by any employer in any place of employment between employees on the basis of sex, by paying wages to any employee at a rate less than the rate paid to employees of the opposite sex for work under **equal** conditions on jobs which require **equal** skills. Provides that variation in payment of wages is not prohibited when based on a seniority, training or merit increase system that does not discriminate on the basis of sex.

Administration:

Empowers the Secretary of Labor & Industry to administer the provisions of the act, and to issue rules and regulations to make effective the provisions of the act.

Collection of Unpaid Wages in Case of Discrimination:

Provides for the collection of unpaid wages due under the act and in addition, an equal amount of liquidated damages and reasonable attorney's fee and costs. Authorizes the Secretary of Labor & Industry and upon an employee's request, to take assignment of such a wage claim for

collection. Limits the period for such action to **two** years from the date upon which the