WORKING AT POINT AWAY FROM HOME LOCALITY (EXCERPT) Act 106 of 1903

408.581 Work away from home locality; contract, terms; minors under sixteen; misrepresentation, penalty.

Sec. 1. Any person, company or corporation, or any agent or officer thereof who shall induce another person, by promise of wages or other valuable consideration, to agree to work for the person, company or corporation in whose behalf the offer of inducements is made, at a point away from his or her home locality, shall specify in writing the terms and conditions under which the said work is to be performed, the rate of wages and how, when and where said wages are agreed to be paid, and may furnish of copy of such statement of agreement to the person so induced by the promises therein to agree to work for the person, company or corporation offering said inducements: Provided, That it shall be unlawful for any person to make a tender of inducement to go away from the home locality to work, to any child under 16 years of age unless the written consent of the parents of such child has been first obtained, as well as the consent of the truant officer or county agent of the board of corrections and charities for the locality where said child belongs; and in case such consent is obtained and the child goes abroad under the influence of the inducements so offered, such child under 16 years of age shall be safely returned to its home at any time when its parents shall request, in writing, such return. Any person or any agent or officer of any corporation who shall, in offering inducements to any person to work for hire at any place apart from his or her home locality, misrepresent any of the conditions of such employment as mentioned above, shall be liable to pay to the person injured by such misrepresentation, the full amount of the damage sustained and shall be further liable to the penalties provided in section 3 of this act.

History: 1903, Act 106, Eff. Sept. 17, 1903;—CL 1915, 5580;—CL 1929, 8609;—CL 1948, 408.581.

Compiler's note: In the first sentence of this section, "furnish of copy" evidently should read "furnish a copy".

The board of corrections and charities, referred to in this section, was abolished and its powers and duties transferred to the department of social welfare by MCL 400.19. The department of social welfare was subsequently transferred to the department of social services by MCL 16.552.