

**THE MICHIGAN PENAL CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 328 of 1931**

**750.556 Discrimination between sexes in payment of wages.**

Sec. 556. Any employer of labor in this state, employing both males and females, who shall discriminate in any way in the payment of wages as between sexes who are similarly employed, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. No female shall be assigned any task disproportionate to her strength, nor shall she be employed in any place detrimental to her morals, her health or her potential capacity for motherhood. Any difference in wage rates based upon a factor other than sex shall not violate this section.

**History:** 1931, Act 328, Eff. Sept. 18, 1931;—CL 1948, 750.556;—Am. 1962, Act 37, Eff. Mar. 28, 1963.

**Former law:** See sections 1 and 2 of Act 239 of 1919, being CL 1929, §§ 8497 and 8498.