

# Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

## Adjustments in Dollar Amounts for Repair Charges Subject to Mechanic's Liens under Wis. Stat. § 779.41

### Public Notice

#### Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

##### Notice of Dollar Amount Adjustments for Repair Charges Subject to Mechanic's Liens

Under Wis. Stat. § 779.41 (1m), the Department is required to annually adjust the dollar amounts identified under §§ 779.41 sub. (1) (intro), (a), (b) and (c) 1. to 4. by the annual change in the consumer price index, all items, U.S. city average, as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, and publish the adjusted figures.

The Department has determined that current dollar amounts specified under Wis. Stats. §§ 779.41 sub. (1) (intro), (a), (b) and (c) 1. to 4. shall increase by **1.6%**, according to the annual average percent change in the consumer price index (All Urban Consumers – 2014 Annual Average).

The dollar amount contained in Wis. Stats. § 779.41 (1) (intro), is adjusted to **\$2,300**. The dollar amounts contained in Wis. Stats. § 779.41 (1) (a), (b), and (c) 1. to 4. are adjusted to the following dollar amounts:

- (a) A trailer or semitrailer designed for use with a road tractor for charges in excess of **\$6,910**.
- (b) Road machinery, including mobile cranes and trench hoes, farm tractors, machines of husbandry, or off-highway construction vehicles and equipment for charges in excess of **\$11,500**.
- (c) A motor vehicle not included under par. (a) or (b) with a manufacturer's gross weight rating, including, with respect to road tractors, a manufacturer's gross weight rating for the combined carrying capacity of the tractor and trailer, of:
  - 1. More than 10,000 and less than 20,000 pounds, for charges in excess of **\$4,600**.
  - 2. 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 40,000 pounds, for charges in excess of **\$9,070**.
  - 3. 40,000 pounds or more, but less than 60,000 pounds, for charges in excess of **\$14,800**.
  - 4. 60,000 pounds or more, for charges in excess of **\$17,900**.

These revised dollar amounts under the mechanic's lien law shall apply to work commenced on or after **January 1, 2016** for which a lien is claimed. These revised dollar amounts shall remain

in effect until the first day of the first month following publication of new adjusted dollar amounts in the *Wisconsin Administrative Register*.

**Contact Information:**

Kevin LeRoy, Section Chief  
Trade Practices Bureau  
Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection  
2811 Agriculture Drive  
P.O. Box 8911  
Madison, WI 53708-8911  
Telephone: (608) 224-4925  
kevin.leroy@wisconsin.gov