New Jersey's Minimum Wage Will Begin Increasing Starting July 1, 2019

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Governor Murphy signed today a bill that increases New Jersey's minimum wage. The bill is expected to have a significant impact on New Jersey businesses.

The new law increases the minimum wage from $8.85 to $10 beginning July 1st. Thereafter, the minimum wage will increase by $1 per year until 2024. The increase schedule is as follows:

Current:	$8.85 per hour
July 1, 2019:	$10 per hour
January 1, 2020:	$11 per hour
January 1, 2021:	$12 per hour
January 1, 2022:	$13 per hour
January 1, 2023:	$14 per hour
January 1, 2024:	$15 per hour

The bill only has a few exceptions for small employers (less than six employees), seasonal workers, agricultural workers, and new hires enrolled in a training program. Information about the bill and its impact can be found in our firm's previous update by clicking here.