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**FORTY CENT MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE ESTABLISHED IN THE PENS AND PENCILS  
MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY AND IN THE STONE, CLAY, GLASS, AND ALLIED  
INDUSTRIES**

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