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Dear Kambiz,

We are proud to announce [minimum wage](#) as the latest topic at ProCon.org. It is our 55<sup>th</sup> since we started in 2004, and it was one of the top 10 most requested subjects from our readers. Check it out along with some of our other highlights below.



### [\*\*NEW ProCon.org Website! - Should the Federal Minimum Wage Be Increased?\*\*](#)

Our 55th website explores the pros and cons in the debate over increasing the minimum wage. The federal minimum wage was introduced in the 1930s by President Roosevelt and has been increased by Congress 22 times, most recently in 2009 to reach its current level of \$7.25 an hour. Proponents say the current federal minimum wage is too low for anyone to live on; and that a higher minimum wage will help create jobs, grow the economy, and decrease wage inequality. Opponents say that many businesses cannot afford to pay their workers more and will be forced to close, lay off workers, and reduce hiring; and that low-income communities are disproportionately harmed by wage raises at the federal level.

### [\*\*State-by-State Minimum Wage Levels\*\*](#)

29 states plus DC have a minimum wage level higher than the federal minimum wage. Our new resource shows the minimum wage levels of all 50 states and DC, plus the 37 cities and counties that have set their own rates.

### [\*\*Top Pro & Con Quotes: Should the Federal Minimum Wage Be Increased?\*\*](#)

Find statements from 2016 presidential candidates Hillary Clinton (pro) and Donald Trump (con); organizations such as the National Employment Law Project (pro) and the US Chamber of Commerce (con); plus many other experts.

### [\*\*Candidate Position Changes\*\*](#)

You asked us to keep track of whenever a candidate changed position's on one of our



questions. Well, we did just that. See how many times Hillary Clinton, Ted Cruz, John Kasich, Bernie Sanders, and Donald Trump changed positions on the 51 questions we cover.



### [50 Famous Vegetarians](#)

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In China's first ever court case concerning gay marriage, the judge ruled that the couple could not marry and cited marriage laws specifying "a man and a woman."

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