

***Examining the Evidence:
The Impact of the Los Angeles Living Wage Ordinance
on Workers and Businesses***

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