

February 19, 2019

The Honorable Bobby A. Zirkin Judicial Proceedings Committee 2 East, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

## RE: SB 0555 – Peace Orders - Workplace Violence – Support

Dear Senator Zirkin:

SB 0555 would allow an employer to request a peace order/restraining order based on acts committed against employees/volunteers/independent contractors working on the employer's site. It would change existing law to give employers legal standing to request a peace order when it is felt that a danger exists. In all our efforts to address and prevent instances of workplace violence, this is a necessary tool.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of over 600 members, supports this bill. We therefore request that you give this bill a favorable report.

Sincerely,

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CC: Senator Justin Ready Delegate Haven Shoemaker