

January 24, 2020

The Honorable Luke Clippinger Judiciary Committee Room 101, House Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: HB 0126 – Peace Orders - Workplace Violence – Support

Dear Delegate Clippinger:

HB 0126 would allow an employer to request a peace order/restraining order on the basis of 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.

Last session, the House passed this bill unanimously. We encourage you to seek passage from your colleagues in the Senate.

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: Delegate Haven Shoemaker Senator Justin Ready