



January 29, 2021

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

RE: **HB 0289** – Peace Orders - Workplace Violence – **Support**

Dear Delegate Clippinger:

HB 0289 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mike McMullin'.

Mike McMullin
President
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Delegate Haven Shoemaker
Senator Justin Ready