



February 19, 2021

The Honorable Dereck E. Davis
Economic Matters Committee
Room 231, House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

**Re: HB 0906 – Unemployment Insurance - Earned Rating Record - Waiver of Benefit Charges
Due to COVID-19 – Support**

Dear Delegate Davis:

HB 0906 would waive the charges of unemployment insurance benefits against the earned rating record of an employing unit for claims related to COVID-19 and filed from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021.

At a time when all businesses, especially small businesses, are struggling, this seems to be a welcome effort to assist those businesses, the people they employ and their families.

The Carroll County Chamber of Commerce, a business advocacy organization of over 600 members, supports this bill and requests the added amendment. 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