

Dear Chairwoman Williams & members of the Labor committee,

I write to you to strongly urge your support of another great bill from Rep. Morales to help one of the most vulnerable and under appreciated segments of our population: essential worker's. For those workers like myself, we went into these jobs as custodians or dishwashers and the like; never even being able to comprehend what was tumbling out way. Many of us never signed up expecting anything like what we face now. Throughout this crisis, we've been lauded as heroes, though many of us never had any say in the matter to begin with. More often than not, we don't have enough savings from our job to take time off, or have the option to work from home. We often have zero paid sick/vacation time. And we face possible death or crushing illness form just 11,12 or maybe 13 dollars an hour. I will tell you all it doesn't make me feel like a hero when I still live paycheck to paycheck, even in light of working full time during a pandemic. \$300-\$400 a week is scraps to get seriously ill or even die over. Instead of just calling us heroes, just get us more money. Please.

Thank You,

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