

Dear Chairwoman Williams & members of the Labor committee,

I first want to commend the Chairwoman for her bill H 5474, and would urge the committee's strong support of legislation to ensure essential workers are treated properly during this pandemic. Many of these workers never signed up for a job where they might be putting their health and very lives at their jobs just by entering the workplace. Many don't know what they'll do to supplant lost income if they get sick, and whether they'll even be eligible for worker's compensation or other related benefits. In some cases, their employers may fight the claim tooth & nail to get it declined. It's well past due time for the general assembly to intervene and afford these worker's this basic protection as they continue to put themselves in harm's way so that our economy can keep running , oftentimes for just minimum wage. To do anything less would be an insult to them.

Thank You,

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