



Nov. 15, 2017

The Honorable Pat Toomey
United States Senate
248 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Robert Casey
United States Senate
393 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Toomey and Casey,

We, the undersigned organizations, write to express our strong support for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, as modified by Senate Finance Committee chairman, Senator Orrin Hatch.

Pennsylvania workers and employers all across the commonwealth stand to benefit greatly from the most significant pro-growth tax reform legislation in three decades.

For hard-working families and individuals, this legislation makes the complex and painful process of filing your taxes simpler while delivering significant direct tax rate relief. Just as importantly, the bill makes fundamental reforms to an outdated code so our economy can grow and American businesses, both large and small, are globally competitive once again.

The pro-growth incentives in the bill are many: full expensing of new equipment and machines, reduction in tax rates for pass-through businesses, and a globally competitive tax rate on corporations that is made permanent so more investment occurs in America and not overseas. Together, these modifications will encourage small, mid-sized, and large Pennsylvania companies to invest in their factories, expand their domestic operations, and hire more workers.

We are excited about the tremendous economic growth opportunity that tax reform provides to our state, local employers, and workers. And while no legislation is perfect, we believe passage of the chairman's mark of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act will result in higher wages and salaries for workers, more job opportunities, and a better economy for all Pennsylvanians. We urge adoption of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and thank you in advance for consideration of our views.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Gene Barr in blue ink.

Gene Barr
President & CEO
Pennsylvania Chamber of
Business and Industry

Handwritten signature of Kevin Shivers in black ink.

Kevin Shivers
Executive Director
National Federation of
Independent Business

Handwritten signature of David N. Taylor in blue ink.

David N. Taylor
President & CEO
Pennsylvania Manufacturers
Association