

TO: The Honorable Members of the Pennsylvania House

FROM: Sam Denisco, Vice President, Government Affairs

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RE: Support temporary liability protections

On behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry I urge you to support Amendment A00598 to H.B. 605, which we understand will be considered this week.

This amendment will provide temporary liability protections from unwarranted pandemic-related lawsuits for those working in good faith to comply with public health directives. Employers, nonprofits, schools and others continue significant investments to protect their employees and customers and should proceed with confidence knowing they will not be unfairly targeted by a small but unscrupulous group of profiteers seeking to benefit from this health and economic disaster.

On the other hand, this amendment would *not* extend protections to businesses disregarding public health guidelines or acting recklessly. These bad actors should be held accountable.

We urge you to support this amendment. Please contact Sam Denisco at <u>sdenisco@pachamber.org</u> with questions or to discuss.