



TO: The Honorable Members of the PA House Finance Committee

FROM: Allison Coccia

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RE: HB 1138 Support – Eliminating the GRT and Sales and Use Tax on Cell Phones

On behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry I urge you to support **HB 1138**, scheduled to be before the House Finance Committee, tomorrow June 6.

House Bill 1138 would exempt cell phone service from the state's Sales and Use Tax and Gross Receipts Tax. A more welcoming tax environment with respect to telecommunications services will encourage additional private capital investment into deployment and adoption of mobile communications technology.

Such investments will allow more businesses to improve communications among its workforce, streamline logistics and processes, better service clients and customers, and increase productivity, innovation and competitiveness. Additionally, it would provide greater certainty to the business community as the cell service space continues to evolve.

We urge you to support this bill. For any questions or further discussion, please contact Allison Coccia at acoccia@pachamber.org or 518-265-7429.