



TO: The Honorable Members of the PA Senate Banking & Insurance Committee  
FROM: Alex Halper, SVP, Government Affairs  
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RE: Support S.B. 967 – Expanding employee benefits

The PA Chamber urges you to support S.B. 967, providing benefits to gig workers in Pennsylvania, which the Committee is scheduled to consider this week.

The gig economy has allowed individuals to make a living or supplemental income while deciding for themselves when and for whom they work, providing economic opportunity for many whose lives and schedules may not be conducive to traditional employment.

S.B. 967 would establish a fund, financed by companies that offer app-based transportation or courier services, to collectively provide benefits for those Pennsylvanians with whom they contract. Establishing the program financed by the companies but administered by the state will allow individuals to transfer their benefits with them even if they move to a new app.

This legislation is a private sector funded, 21<sup>st</sup> century approach to supporting workers as the gig economy expands and the ranks of gig workers continues to increase, even as the number of open full-time positions remains high. We urge you to support this bill.

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