

TO: The Honorable Members of the PA House Labor & Industry Committee

FROM: Alex Halper, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs

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RE: **PA Chamber Memo: Oppose S.B. 908 — Increasing costs on taxpayers**

On behalf of the PA Chamber I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 908, which would substantially expand the PA Prevailing Wage Act and is scheduled for committee consideration today.

The PA Prevailing Wage Act requires state-determined wages be paid to employees on public construction projects and can often complicate project execution and increase costs on school districts and municipalities. S.B. 908 proposes an unprecedented expansion by applying the law to fabrication work that occurs separate from the worksite.

We have concerns from both a taxpayer perspective, as significant cost increases on school districts and local governments can lead to property tax hikes; and on behalf of custom fabrication companies, who have expressed concerns that this legislation would drive work to out-of-state competitors and negatively impact their workplace.

We oppose this bill and urge the committee to hold off consideration to provide time and a process for lawmakers and the public to better understand the implications. Please contact Alex Halper at ahalper@pachamber.org or 717-645-8730 with questions or to discuss.

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