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**TO: HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
COMMITTEE**

FROM: ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS

**RE: H.B. 1566- MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL
ENTERPRISES- WORKGROUP ON VOCATIONAL
TRAINING AND PLACEMENT**

POSITION: SUPPORT

Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) supports H.B. 1566 which is before you today for consideration. The bill would require the Commissioner of Correction and the Chief Executive Officer of Maryland Correctional Enterprises to establish and convene a vocational training and placement workgroup by December 1, 2020. The purpose of the workgroup is to set specific goals for improving the rate of job placement of formerly incarcerated individuals.

As a leader in the training of construction workers in Maryland and across the country, ABC would be very interested in being a part of the workgroup should H.B. 1566 be enacted.

On behalf of the over 1,500 ABC members across the state, we respectfully request a favorable report on H.B. 1566.

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