



WMDA/CAR Service Station and Automotive Repair Association

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Chair: Melony Griffith
Members of Senate Finance Committee

RE: SB 828 Family and Medical Leave insurance Program - Modifications
Position: Favorable with Amendments

SB 828 is an opportunity to address a major concern for businesses when HB8/SB275 passed last year.

The possibility of taking 24 paid weeks off, this is a business killer especially for service orientated businesses, like automotive repair facilities, and any of the trades that depend on technicians , electrical, plumbing, HVAC and other trades.

This also severely affects small businesses who do not have backups for replacement. Very costly for all concerned. This could be corrected by cutting the maximum paid leave to 12 weeks which can be used for both Family and Sick leave.

Thank you

WMDA/CAR is a trade association that has represented service stations, convenience stores and independent repair shops since 1937. Any questions can be addressed to Kirk McCauley, 301-775-0221 or kmccauley@wmda.net