

My name is Ty Brown and I am submitting my favorable testimony for Senate Bill 0085.

I have been a member of the worker owned co-op WaterBottle for 2 years now and I can honestly say working for a worker owned co-op has changed my life in ways I could never imagine. All my previous employment consisted of restaurant service industry and retail corporations which are hard industries to progress and gain respect in. I never thought I would be part of something much bigger that would allow me to not only improve myself, my quality of life but also help others in the community around me. Worker co-ops changed my life and I definitely feel Maryland should make it easier for people to create worker co-ops and let their employee's manage their businesses.

Thank you,

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