



**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE  
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Senate Bill 302: Joint Committee on Workforce Development

*Written Testimony Only*

**POSITION: SUPPORT**

On behalf of TranZed Apprenticeship Services, I appreciate the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill 302, which would create a Joint Committee on Workforce Development.

TranZed Apprenticeships represent over 60 employers and have over the past 18 months, successfully delivered 50+ registered apprenticeships, within in demand high paying technology jobs.

It is important to note that, in order to keep pace with the technological changes, and the ever increasing demands on employers to keep the skills in their businesses relevant, it is vital to have a focused and nimble Workforce Development foundation across the State.

These employers and the communities that they serve, increasingly rely of Apprenticeship Intermediaries like TranZed, to have strong and structured relationships, with the workforce agencies. These relationships are key in order to ensure that the gap between supply and demand is effectively met.

**For these reasons, we support the intent of SB 302, the creation of the Joint Committee on Workforce Development, and we seek to participate as as one on Maryland's lead non traditional apprenticeship intermediaries members of the committee in that work.**

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