

Hello, my name is Peter Adegoke and I work as a passenger service wheelchair attendant at BWI Airport.

I am a tipped worker which means I am paid below the minimum wage and have to rely on tips from passengers.

However, lot of times I don't even make tips, especially now that there are less passengers.

I am on the frontlines everyday dealing with passengers and the airport is a public place filled with people.

You can imagine how cautious I have to be about COVID-19 all of the time.

The work is really hard on our bodies.

I recently had to stop working for two months because I injured my back while pushing a passenger.

My medical bills were not covered by my employer's insurance.

Now I don't have any insurance at all because it's expensive.

I am scared of what will happen if I injure my back again.

Passing the Secure MD Wage Act would give me and my coworkers a raise that we deserve and money towards healthcare costs so I could actually afford healthcare.

Thank you.