

I am the owner of Great Harvest Bread Co., a community bakery café in Columbia, Maryland. I strongly oppose the passage of House Bill 581.

The costs of this bill would be devastating to Maryland's job creators, who are already struggling with a global pandemic and compounding financial implications of other state mandates like increased minimum wage and paid sick and safe leave. Maryland's employers cannot reasonably be expected to comply with the broad and unwell defined mandates contained within House Bill 581, especially when they continue to overcome the operational and economic implications of COVID-19.

There is no question--if this bill passes, I will be forced to close my doors. I cannot sustain the impact of the costly requirements contained in this bill.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Judy Hanson