



TESTIMONY OF YUNMY CARROLL  
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SB259 / HB611 -FAVORABLE

Honorable members of the Senate Finance Committee and House Economic Matters Committee:

On behalf of the Women of Local 602 Steamfitters Union, I'm writing to express our strong support for SB259 / HB611, which expand prevailing wages to mechanical service contracts.

My group, Women of Local 602 Steamfitters Union, was organized for the acceptance, preservation and livelihood of the women of our trade union, Steamfitters Local 602. Our mission as member of this group is to be dedicated to recruit, retain, mentor and support our membership while working side by side within our Brethren. We work to inspire and empower each other to seek out opportunities to promote our local union, and seek to take the initiative to work with the community and the Brotherhood to encourage and cultivate a diverse membership.

We support SB259 / HB611 because a large percentage of our work is service work, which does not currently qualify for prevailing wages. To be completely blunt, it is unfair for the same skilled and licensed workers to be completely different wages for construction, which qualifies for prevailing wages, and for service work, which does not.

This legislation would go a long way in helping women in the trades excel in our professions, and earn decent and competitive wages.

Please help us, and support SB259 / HB611.

Thank you.