



Eastern Atlantic States
REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS

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TESTIMONY

HB2: INCOME TAX - SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION - UNION DUES

POSITION: FAVORABLE

Dear Chair Atterbeary and honorable members of the House Ways and Means Committee:

On behalf of the Eastern Atlantic Regional Council of Carpenters (EASRCC), our 41,000 skilled construction workers and apprentices in Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, North Carolina and some 3,000 carpenters right here in the State of Maryland, I write today in strong support of HB2, as we have on this important legislation in prior years.

This legislation's time has come.

House Bill 2 seeks to assist hard working women and men deduct a portion of their union organizing dues, just as many employment and career costs are currently deductible under Maryland tax law. This legislation is a fair and common sense step in leveling the playing field for hard-working middle-class Marylanders who have been continue to be disadvantaged by a tax system that proportionally favors higher earning individuals and corporations.

For these reasons, we respectfully request a favorable committee report on HB2.

Sincerely,

Mungu Sanchez
Deputy Political Director