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To: Chair Joseline A. Pena-Melnyk, Vice Chair Bonnie Cullison, and members of the Health and Government Operations Committee

From: Christopher Anderson, Business Agent, Plumbers and Steamfitter Local 486

Support HB 957 - State Procurement – Worker Residency Requirements

I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 957, which mandates worker residency requirements for state-funded projects.

As a representative of Plumbers and Steamfitters Local 486, I believe this bill is crucial for ensuring that a significant portion of the workforce on state-funded projects are residents of Maryland. Local 486 has 2000+ members with 80% of those being Maryland residents.

This legislation will not only provide more job opportunities for Maryland residents but also support local economies and ensure that state funds are used to benefit our communities directly.

This will help maintain the integrity of the procurement process and promote fair labor practices.

I urge the committee to support **House Bill 957** and help us build a stronger, more resilient workforce in Maryland.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher Anderson