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SB 63 - State Procurement - Construction and Services - Contract Modification

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SUPPORT

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Madame Chair and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB 63. On behalf of our 700 affiliated unions, I offer the following comments.

SB 63 seeks to require procurement contracts for construction and services to include provisions for contract modification in the case of increased costs due to statutory changes or collective bargaining agreements.

Often, contracts are written years before a project is started, allowing for inflation, cost-of-living, and other factors to change the original agreed-upon terms. Allowing contract modification will ensure workers receive the wages and benefits they are entitled to.

SB 63 supports responsible labor practices by reinforcing that government contracts should align with the evolving economy and labor standards. For these reasons, we urge a favorable vote on SB 63.



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