



PLUMBERS LOCAL UNION NO. 5

UNITED ASSOCIATION OF JOURNEYMEN AND APPRENTICES OF THE PLUMBING AND PIPE FITTING INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, AFL-CIO

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TESTIMONY OF TERRIEA "T" SMALLS
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UA PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS LOCAL 5
BEFORE THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
AND THE HOUSE GOVERNMENT, LABOR, AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
SENATE BILL 675 / HOUSE BILL 997 – UNFAVORABLE

Dear Chair Beidle, Chair Wells, and Honorable Members of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Government, Labor, and Elections Committee:

I write on behalf of UA Plumbers and Gasfitters Local 5 in opposition to Senate Bill 675 / House Bill 997.

This legislation fundamentally alters how prevailing wages are calculated by excluding significant segments of the labor market from consideration. The result is an artificially reduced prevailing wage rate that fails to reflect the true cost of skilled plumbing and gasfitting work on public projects.

Such an outcome undermines workers, destabilizes labor standards, and contradicts the core purpose of Maryland's prevailing wage law.

UA Plumbers and Gasfitters Local 5 respectfully urges an unfavorable report.

Respectfully,

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