



TESTIMONY OF YUNMY Z. CARROLL

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SB673 / HB1165 – FAVORABLE

Dear Chair Guzzone, Chair Wells, and Honorable Members of the Committees:

On behalf of the Women of Local 602 Steamfitters Union, I write in strong support of Senate Bill 673 / House Bill 1165.

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.

Registered apprenticeship programs are essential to recruiting, retaining, and supporting women in the skilled trades. These programs provide structure, mentorship, and fair wages that allow women to build lasting careers.

SB 673 / HB 1165 reinforces apprenticeship standards and helps ensure these pathways remain accessible, credible, and effective.

We respectfully urge a favorable report.

Sincerely,

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