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To Members of the Finance Committee:

My name is Bruce Dworak, President of Hobson Motzer Inc., 30 Airline Drive, Durham Connecticut 06492.

I am writing to voice my opposition to several tax bills before you which would seriously damage Connecticut's economy and our ability to compete and succeed here. These proposals would substantially increase our business costs and make it much harder for us to continue doing business in Connecticut. Specifically, we are opposing:

HB-6348, HB-6349, HB-6350, SB-807 and SB-815

Hobson & Motzer is a small but growing manufacturer of precision tooling, custom metal stampings and assemblies. We employ roughly 170 people, many of them highly skilled tool makers, machinists and engineers. As a small business in manufacturing, we invest much of our after tax earnings back into our business for growth. Many of the machines we buy cost \$500,000 or more and we often buy several per year.

I enjoy working with our people and our customers. I work very hard, typically 60-70 hours per week and am thinking about our business constantly. Due to the investments required, I take great risks in an effort to provide for our customers, our people and the community. In order to take these risks and work as hard as I do, there needs to be a promise of potential reward.

Manufacturers are already paying more than our fair share in taxes. All told, over 50% of our earnings go to the government. Any further increases would deteriorate the marginal benefits of being a business in Connecticut. It will improve the payback on moving to a more business friendly state, leaving our country or simply closing up shop.

Manufacturing jobs have the highest multiplier to create other jobs in the economy. We buy everything from raw materials to plating services to accounting services to pizza. Conservative estimates show that there are three jobs dependent on every manufacturing job. That means that there are roughly 680 jobs that are dependant on the decisions I make. I am only one entrepreneur. Through my dealings with the Connecticut Tooling and Machining Association and Connecticut Business and Industry Association, I can tell you that there are hundreds if not thousands more like me. The actions of government will impact the decisions that I make. If any of the above measures pass, it will effect these decisions in a way that would have a negative impact on state revenue and our economy.

I urge you to reject these proposals and work with the business community to encourage economic development and job creation in Connecticut. Thank you.

Signed,



Bruce Dworak  
President  
Hobson Motzer