



February 3, 2008

To Members of the Labor Committee:

My name is Chris Meacham, Owner and Managing Member of Now IT Works, an outsourced technology company in East Hampton, CT.

I am writing to voice my opposition to HB-6187, which would require Connecticut employers to provide paid sick leave. This proposal will substantially increase our business costs and could force us to reevaluate the other benefits we provide our employees.

We have been able to weather these tough economic times thus far but any additional costs could strain our business. Our goal is to keep all of our employees healthy, happy and employed, which is why we are working so hard to watch our bottom line. Please consider all of the costs that small businesses must incur in order to operate on a daily basis and understand that we only hope for further success as an accredited and established Connecticut business.

We urge you to reject this proposal and work with the business community to control labor and workplace costs in Connecticut – if you would be interested in talking directly with me, please let me know. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris D. Meacham".

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