



Connecticut Business & Industry Association

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H.B. 5248 AAC The Legislature's Impact on Employment in the State

I am Kia Murrell, Assistant Counsel at the Connecticut Business and Industry Association (CBIA) which represents the interests of more than 10,000 companies across the state, the vast majority of which are businesses of 50 or fewer employees.

CBIA generally supports legislation that controls the costs of doing business and encourages job growth and economic development in the state. We believe that **H.B. 5248 AAC The Legislature's Impact on Employment in the State** is such a measure because in proposing that the legislature consider the impact of its actions on employment and job creation before it enacts legislation, this proposal is a positive step towards encouraging legislative initiatives that will help to speed our economic recovery during one of the most difficult economic times in recent history.

Therefore, we support this legislation.