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To Members of the Labor Committee:

My Name is Cregg McWeeney, General Manager at the P&M Industrial Finishing Company a manufacturer in Waterbury Connecticut.

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.

The proposed bill, if applied to smaller businesses would add approximately \$10,000 to our annual payroll cost which cannot be passed on to our customers.

We urge you to reject this proposal and work with the business community to control labor and workplace costs in Connecticut.

Thank you,
Cregg McWeeney