

To the Honorable Members of the Higher Education Committee,

On behalf of the 65 employee-owners of Web Industries in Dayville, I am writing to express support for Senate Bill 974 to direct the Department of Labor to conduct a study of the medical device industry in Connecticut.

Web is transforming its business model from high volume manufacturing to high value-added manufacturing for the medical, aerospace, and emerging technologies markets. To support this transformation, we are working with the Beacon Medical Alliance to make substantial investments in new technology and develop the skills of our current and future workforce.

Connecticut is one of the leading states for medical device employment and having this report will substantiate the need for more investment in training employees for medical device manufacturing jobs. Such investment will be a big help to companies like Web as we grow our business over the coming decades.

Our company is committed to providing high-skill, high-wage jobs in Connecticut. To do so, it is essential that our employees have access to high quality resources for on-going training and skill development.

Please support Senate Bill 974.

Please feel free to contact me to discuss this in person or to arrange a visit to Web to meet some of the many employees who will benefit from this legislation.

Sincerely,

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