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**Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce  
Legislative Committee**

Commerce Committee  
Room 110, Capitol Building  
Hartford, CT 06106

**Testimony on S.B. No. 420- AN ACT EXTENDING THE MANUFACTURING  
APPRENTICESHIP AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT TAX CREDITS TO  
PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES.**

Members of the Commerce Committee:

The Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce supports S.B. No. 420- AN ACT EXTENDING THE MANUFACTURING APPRENTICESHIP AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT TAX CREDITS TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES.

The Middlesex Chamber is a dynamic business organization with over 2,350 members that employ over 50,000 people.

In our 2014 Public Policy Agenda, the Chamber supported an expansion of the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program, to allow funding for municipal and tax exempt organizations by all types of business entities including "S" Corporations, LLCs, partnerships and sole-proprietorships. We administer, promote and support a number of manufacturing and workforce development programs, and have a number of members that would be interested in these tax credits. The Middlesex Chamber looks forward to working with our members and other key stakeholders as we move manufacturing forward in our state.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important topic, and offer the support of the Chamber for S.B. 420.

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