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BANKING COMMITTEE

PUBLIC HEARING TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 5117

“AN ACT CONCERNING THE TIME PERIOD FOR THE FILING OF MECHANIC’S LIENS.”

Good Morning Chairman Leone, Chairman Lesser, Ranking Member Martin, Ranking Member Simanski, and the Honorable Members of the Banking Committee, I am State Representative Mike Alberts of Woodstock. I am truly appreciative that you have chosen to raise this concept for Public Hearing.

The law as currently written only allows ninety days for filing a mechanic’s lien certificate with the town clerk. The proposed legislation will increase this to ninety business days. This change will provide a greater opportunity for sub-contractors to file liens in the event that general contractors do not meet their contractual obligations.

My hope is that the Committee will support this modest increase in the time allowed for filing a lien to benefit those for whom it is appropriate. This will further protect workers to ensure they receive payment for their projects.

Again, I thank the Committee for the opportunity to comment on this legislation and I urge your support in moving it forward.