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Raised Bill No. 920 An Act Concerning Public Private Partnerships

Testimony in Support

Chairman, Vice Chairs, Ranking Members and Honorable Members of the Transportation Committee. I am Keith R. Brothers, and I am testifying on behalf of the Laborers District Council for which I am Business Manager/Secretary Treasurer.

We support this careful recrafting the Public Partnership legislation (sections 4-255, 4-256, 4-259 and 4-261). It provides greater flexibility in how this legislation may be applied and by its new language ensures that a proposed project must be found by the Governor to result in job creation and economic growth.

It also retains protections that will assure that only highly qualified Connecticut Building Trades will be used on any such project and that they are adequately compensated for their efforts.

Many thanks for your consideration of my remarks.

Respectfully submitted,

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