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Home Building Industry Day at the Capitol

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Please Help Home Builders & Remodelers Build Our Economy

Housing, Economic & Business Development

- ↑ **Support SB 1036 (File # 573)** – Creates a limited property tax exemption for homes under construction or waiting to be sold. Higher assessments and taxes would occur on earliest of issuance of C.O., actual occupancy as a residence, or deed transfer to buyer.
- ↑ **Support HB 6332 (File #) and HB 5416 (File #)** – 6332 requires DPH to write regulations for permitting alternative treatment (AT) wastewater systems; 5416 changes the threshold for such regulations to 7,500 gallons per day (gpd) or less.
- ↑ **Support SB 818 (File # 368), HB 5584 (File # 382), HB 7063 (File # 504)** – Several pro-business bills from Commerce Committee to improve the regulatory process and assist small business entrepreneurs.
- ↑ **Support SB 944 (File # 374)** – Prohibits nonconforming buildings or structures from being deemed abandoned if demolished for the purpose of repairing them, if repaired within 5 years.

Labor

- ↑ **Support HB 6461 (File # 258)** – Makes reforms to the unemployment compensation system that will help to ensure solvency of the UC trust fund and reduce future UC taxes.
- ↓ **Oppose SB 747 (File # 271)** – Requires almost all employers to predict schedules for their employees no less than 24 hours in advance. This can't work in new home construction or remodeling.
- ↑ **Support SB 353 (File # 142)** – Expands the 1:1 hiring ratio of journeyman to apprentices to the first three apprentices from current law of the first two apprentice hires.

Crumbling Concrete

- ↑ **Support SB 806 (File # 301)** – Creates a fund to assist homeowners with crumbling foundations.
- ↓ **Oppose HB 7175 (File # 395)** – Requires concrete companies to test aggregates used in concrete mixing for the mineral pyrrhotite, which cannot be reliably done.

Affordable Housing Appeals (8-30g)

- ✓ **Concerns with HB 6880 (File # 179)** – Changes to the Affordable Housing Appeals Act (8-30g) in this bill are OK as is, but please do not allow any further changes thru amendments to this important act.
- ↓ **Oppose SB 535 (File # 199)** – Unlike HB 6880 above, SB 535 greatly changes the Affordable Housing Appeals Act (8-30g) by creating many new ways to deny an affordable housing application, creating more municipal moratoriums from the act and mandating inclusionary zoning across CT.

Taxes

- ↑ **Support HB 6372** (Repeals the business entity tax), **SB 6** (Exempts ALL social security income from income tax), and **SB 7** (Exempts 1st \$10,000 of business personal property from local property tax)

Vision: "Building CT's Economy, Communities and Better Lives One Home at a Time."
Mission: "Using Effective Advocacy and New Knowledge to Solve Our Member's Problems."