

TO: All Honorable Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives

FROM: Kevin Sunday, Director, Government Affairs

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RE: Support Regulatory Reform: House Bills 72, 139, 288 and 950

On behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry I urge you to support **House Bills 72, 139, 288 and 950,** expected to be considered on the floor of the House this week. These bills provide much needed transparency and reforms to the state's regulatory review and permitting process. The coronavirus pandemic has demonstrated the need for a capable, effective and efficient government that serves the public and regulated community, who have made significant adjustments and adaptations over the past year. State government should also take this opportunity to reset and focus on accountability, efficiency and effective oversight. Further, regulatory reform is a key component of our Bringing PA Back initiative, a member-drive recovery effort to advocate for policies that will rebuild Pennsylvania's economy in a manner that provides opportunity for all.

As such, the PA Chamber supports these bills:

HB 72, which requires legislative approval of major regulations;

**HB 139,** which improves transparency and accountability during the permitting process and allows for third-party review of delayed permits;

HB 288, which provides for compliance assistance; and

**HB 950,** which reforms the Regulatory Review Act to provide for repeal of regulations.

In the wake of Pennsylvania losing another Congressional seat, state government should be motivated more than ever to reform itself and provide for a more welcoming regulatory environment for investment. We urge you to vote yes on these bills. For any questions or further discussion, please contact Kevin Sunday, Director of Government Affairs, at <a href="mailto:ksunday@pachamber.org">ksunday@pachamber.org</a> or (717) 645-2071.