



TO: The Honorable Members of the Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Neal Leshner, Director, Government Affairs

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RE: **Support HB 1138 – Eliminating the GRT and Sales and Use Tax on Cell Phones**

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On behalf of the PA Chamber of Business and Industry I urge you to **support House Bill 1138**. The bill is scheduled for a vote by the committee today.

House Bill 1138 would exempt cell phone service from the state's Sales and Use Tax and Gross Receipts Tax. A more welcoming tax environment with respect to telecommunications services will encourage additional private capital investment into deployment and adoption of mobile communications technology.

Such investments will allow more businesses to improve communications among its workforce, streamline logistics and processes, better service clients and customers, and increase productivity, innovation and competitiveness. Additionally, it would provide greater certainty to the business community as the cell service space continues to evolve.

We urge you to support this bill. For any questions or further discussion, please contact Neal Leshner, Director of Government Affairs, at [nlesher@pachamber.org](mailto:nlesher@pachamber.org) or 717-507-9240.