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April 8, 2010

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Dear Governor and Senators:

We are writing to you to express our concern regarding Senate Bill 1730, which is currently being considered by the State Government, Wagering, Tourism and Historic Preservation Committee. This legislation would establish residency requirements for New Jersey's public workforce.

As we are all aware, today's economy presents significant challenges to working families. Thousands of residents from both states cross the Delaware River daily to earn a living for their families. This bill would force these residents to make the difficult choice of uprooting their families or losing their jobs.

Aside from the negative impact this bill will have on Pennsylvanians, residents of your state may also be adversely affected by limiting employment opportunities. Members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly are already discussing the introduction of a reciprocal measure in Pennsylvania. This public policy, from a regional standpoint, would do nothing more than hurt our workforce and their families.

While we understand you are facing the same difficult budget challenges in New Jersey that we are here in Pennsylvania, enactment of such a proposal would not ease those difficulties in any significant manner. The enactment of this legislation would only serve to add stress and hardship to working families in both of our states.

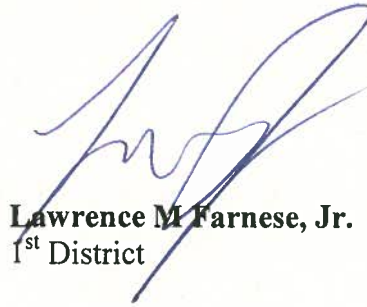
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We respectfully ask you to reconsider the merits of passing of this legislation. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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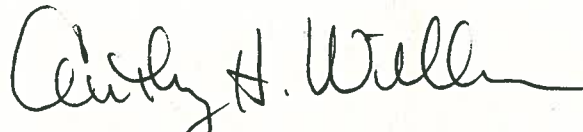
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