

Via Email Only

January 28, 2021

The Honorable Richard Bloom State Capitol P. O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0050

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Re: Support for AB 62 (Income taxes: credits: costs to comply with COVID-19 regulations.)

Dear Assemblymember Bloom:

The Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce writes in support of AB 62. AB 62 provides tax credits for small businesses and essential employers equal to the amount paid to comply with regulations adopted by California's Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board on November 19, 2020, as to COVID-19 prevention.

The Cal-OSHA COVID regulations are quite strict and onerous and require a substantial amount of time and cost to comply with. AB 62 will help businesses defray these costs. As you know, many businesses are also in serious financial difficulty due to the pandemic. AB 62 will help support businesses that are actively working to implement safety protocols for their workers.

AB 62 is an important and common sense step in supporting our local businesses during this difficult time. We respectfully request that you support AB 62.

Sincerely,

Todd Johnson President and CEO

Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce

CC: State Senator Ben Allen