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Representative Gayle Manning Chairperson, House Commerce and Labor Committee 77 South High Street, 12th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43215

Chairperson Manning,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Ohio Masonry Association. OMA represents masonry contractors, suppliers, and producers across the state. We would like to formally express our support for House Bill 380. Closing the gap in Ohio law to provide for prompt payment on private projects is a critical issue right now to the masonry industry.

Cash flow for our members has never been more important than in these difficult times. Any relief that you can provide to begin moving money through the system and down to our members at all tiers of the project is greatly appreciated.

As contractors wait sixty, ninety and even one hundred and fifty days to be paid by the owner for completed work, we are waiting as well. This small change will make a significant impact for all of us.

I urge you to quickly pass House Bill 380 to help not just the masonry industry in Ohio, but the entire construction economy as well.

Sincerely, Greg Schuerman, OMA President PCC Masonry Wapakoneta, Ohio