



April 5, 2022

Chair McColley, Vice Chair Schuring, Ranking Member Williams, and members of the Senate Energy and Public Utilities Committee,

On behalf of Fontaine Modification Company, I am writing to express our support of Senate Bill 307 (SB307), Accelerating Ohio's Auto Industry. My name is David Brosky, and I am responsible for Fontaine Modification's EV Solutions Group, which specializes in the engineering and integration of Battery Electric, Hybrid Electric and Fuel Cell Electric solutions for Class 3-8 commercial vehicles.

One of our key manufacturing facilities is located in Springfield, OH and in 2Q2022 will start building a number of Battery Electric and Fuel Cell electric commercial vehicles. This facility has approximately 45,000 square feet of manufacturing space and employs 15 skilled Ohioans.

We are very proud and excited to support SB307 as we feel it will help expand and grow the manufacturing capabilities and work force necessary to support the accelerated adoption of electric vehicles in the State of Ohio.

Fontaine Modification Company would greatly benefit from the Factory Retooling funding opportunities of SB307 by investing in EVSE infrastructure as well as safe and secure battery storage and warehousing. Additionally, funding would enable the expansion of our Springfield, OH facility and associated work force to meet current and future demands expected for electric commercial vehicles.

The Workforce Development portion of SB307 would also benefit us. Electric vehicle manufacturing requires a high level of technical aptitude and skill, and we expect our workforce needs to increase significantly over current levels during the next 3 years to support the expected growth of electric commercial vehicles. Having a trained workforce already existing in the state would make this easier for us to accomplish.

Fontaine Modification Company respectfully requests your support of SB307, and we appreciate the committee's consideration of these comments.

Best regards,

David J. Brosky  
Vice President, EV Solutions Group  
Fontaine Modification Company