

JOINT COUNCIL OF TEAMSTERS NO. 37

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HB3568

House Committee on Rules:

Thank you Chair Fahey for holding a public hearing on HB3568 on April 18, 2023.

I understand the lobbyists who work for multiple industries must fill their quota for time they spend on lobbying over bills and make sure they take up their three minutes. But I do feel it is of importance to correct the misinformation you heard during their testimony.

This bill as written, does not add any new regulations to any warehouse businesses or the trucking industry.

This bill is to direct BOLI to evaluate these industries operating procedures to see if they believe there should be some future legislative changes.

If BOLI deems there is needed changes, then any recommended regulations from BOLI would come back to you at your next legislative session in two years.

So I know the lobbyist you heard from in opposition to HB3568 clearly showed their lack of due diligence in the bill as written, which as you know they have loads of bills they are paid to oppose each session, whether they agree with them or not.

There is no reason to assume there would be new regulations towards any warehouse business at this time. But to ignore an evaluation at this time subjects more workers to unsafe conditions. Our hope with this bill is all industries will evaluate their current operating procedures now to prevent any future regulations.

To make that happen we need your support now to move forward HB3568.

Thank you,

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