



January 23, 2026

Maine Department of Labor
54 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0054

RE: LD 2018 and Private Plan Restrictions

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to express our firm's concerns with LD 2018 prohibiting the pooling of risk and administration for self-insured PFML plans. We are a commercial construction company in business since 1947 with locations in Fairfield and formerly Portland, Maine. We employ +/- 100 trades people, all residents of Maine.

We object to LD 2018 as it limits our ability to control expenses related to the PFML Act. This puts us at a distinct disadvantage when bidding against small or out-of-state contractors. We respectfully request that the Maine Department of Labor continues to allow us to deliver PFML benefits as efficiently as possible to remain competitive in Maine while maintaining great compensation and benefits to our hard-working Maine employees.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David H. Whitney".

David H. Whitney, LEED AP
Southern Maine Regional Manager

David Whitney
Sheridan Construction
LD 2018

Please see my concerns in the attached letter.