



April 30, 2022

The Honorable _____
Texas State House
1100 Congress Ave
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Representative _____:

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- Employee Liberties & Wage Minimums
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We look forward to working with you and your staff in 2023!

Sincerely,

Name: _____

Org: _____

Contact: _____

Main Issue: _____



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Texas Governor's Mansion
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