Dear members of the Joint Interim Committee,

I'm writing to ask for your support for the limited liability protections from COVID for businesses that are following the guidelines set forth by Governor Brown.

As a nonprofit business cautiously returning staff to work to support vulnerable populations, it's critical that we can do so without the fear of potential lawsuits from individuals who may contract COVID through no intention or act of carelessness on the part of our business. We are committed to following the guidelines set forth by the OHA and in doing so, we ask for your commitment in providing important limited liability protections.

Protection from limited liability would encourage employers to follow OHA recommendations and guidelines because in doing so, they would be protected against lawsuits. Businesses that do not follow the guidelines should not fall under this protection.

Please make liability protections for businesses, governments, healthcare organizations and all other entities serving the public, a priority for the Special Session.

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