



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>HB 2874</b>		DATE: <b>3/4/2024</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Special Committee on Small Business</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCAT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>arniedienoff@yahoo.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/4/2024 11:52 PM</b>
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**I am in Support of this Bill and its intension.**



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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>BRAD JONES</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-619-3077</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>NFIB</b>		TITLE: <b>STATE DIRECTOR</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>308 E. CAPITOL</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65101</b>
EMAIL: <b>Brad.Jones@nfib.org</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/4/2024 10:25 AM</b>	
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<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>RAY MCCARTY</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-634-2246</b>
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF MISSOURI</b>		TITLE: <b>PRESIDENT/CEO</b>
ADDRESS: <b>3234 W TRUMAN BLVD</b>		
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>
		ZIP: <b>65109</b>
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If a business is unable to operate due to a government shutdown order, the least they can do is not charge the business the full taxes and fees they would have had to pay if open. Local governments may have a valid reason for shutting a business down during a health emergency, but they should bear some responsibility and cost for that decision, just like the business.