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WITNESS NAME			
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: DALE WILLIAMS		PHONE NUMBER: 573-635-6071	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: MISSOURI ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION		TITLE: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
ADDRESS: 1221 JEFFERSON ST.			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65101
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: 2/10/2026 12:00 AM	
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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: DARRYL WINEGAR		PHONE NUMBER: 573-619-2899	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: CAPITAL PAVING & CONSTRUCTION		TITLE: VICE PRESIDENT	
ADDRESS: 130 SCOTT STATION RD.			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65109
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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ELIZABETH WILLIAMS-CHAPLIN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
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The Government and Companies should be held to the highest standard of safety. No family should have to get the call that their loved one was taken from them because of preventable actions. There is no monetary value that can be placed on a human life, however, the only way that companies are finally going to listen is if they are help accountable and liable for safety. The safety of workers should be the most important decisions ever made and no one should be immune when mistakes are made. Seeing first hand the devastation that a family goes through after the loss of a loved one is heart breaking. To watch them try to pick up the pieces and navigate their new realty is by far the hardest think I have witnessed. To know that a basic safety device, a standard safety device, was intentionally omitted and would have prevented Kaitlyn and James' death makes the road to healing nearly impossible. To have to fight for others basic safety rights makes it even worse. Please help prevent future loss by holding companies accountable and it turn elevate the safety standard.



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REGISTERED LOBBYIST:			
WITNESS NAME: KEVIN MCMULLIN		PHONE NUMBER: 636-744-4990	
REPRESENTING: SITE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION		TITLE: DIRECTOR, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS	
ADDRESS: 2071 EXCHANGE DRIVE			
CITY: ST. CHARLES		STATE: MO	ZIP: 63303
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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: KRISTEN WALKER		PHONE NUMBER: 317-910-9102	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: WALKER PROFESSIONAL INSURANCE		TITLE: MANAGING PARTNER	
ADDRESS: 18969 MALLARY RD.			
CITY: NOBLESVILLE		STATE: IN	ZIP: 46060
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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: NOLAN (CHIP) JONES		PHONE NUMBER: 573-489-9211	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: EMERY SAPP & SONS, INC.		TITLE: EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	
ADDRESS: 5400 N. THORNBROOK PARKWAY			
CITY: COLUMBIA		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65203
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WITNESS NAME: RAY MCCARTY		PHONE NUMBER: 573-634-2246	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF MISSOURI		TITLE: PRESIDENT/CEO	
ADDRESS: 3234 W TRUMAN BLVD			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65109
EMAIL: rmccarty@aimo.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 2/10/2026 5:18 PM	

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Associated Industries of Missouri supports this bill that provides immunity to MoDOT contractors.



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REGISTERED LOBBYIST:			
WITNESS NAME: RICH AUBUCHON		PHONE NUMBER:	
REPRESENTING: AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES OF MISSOURI; AMERICAN PROPERTY CASUALTY INSURANCE ASSOCIATION; THE MO CIVIL JUSTICE REFORM COALITION, INC.		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: 112 EAST HIGH STREET			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65101
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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: STEPHEN		PHONE NUMBER: 573-429-3164	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: H R QUADRI CONTRACTORS, LLC		TITLE: MEMBER	
ADDRESS: 73039 HWY 21			
CITY: VAN BUREN		STATE: MO	ZIP: 63965
EMAIL: steveb@hrquadri.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 2/10/2026 2:56 PM	

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This is good Legislation for the Missouri taxpayers. Granting MoDOT contractors Sovereign Immunity limits frivolous lawsuits we often see as Highway Contractors.

I am Stephen Bubanovich of H R Quadri Contractors, LLC in Van Buren, MO. This testimony is for our business. We are also members of Associated General Contractors of Missouri and the American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri.

This bill addresses a serious and growing problem for me and my peers working on Missouri Department of Transportation projects. MoDOT contractors are required to build in strict compliance with detailed engineered plans, specifications, and traffic control standards based on nationally recognized guidance, including the MUTCD, the Federal Highway Administration, and AASHTO standards. All of which are sealed by a Professional Engineer licensed in Missouri. Contractors have no authority to deviate from these plans.

Too often, Contractors are simply the first “deep pockets” plaintiffs pursue. Contractors are sued while work is underway, before work even begins, and sometimes long after a project has been completed. My personal story happened in Howell County. While we were the Prime Contractor for Department, the MoDOT Maintenance Division set up a work zone within our project limits. Unfortunately, there was an accident with resulted in a fatality. My insurance carrier bore approximately \$1 million in expenses out of court, and our company had nothing to do with the traffic control. MoDOT took the case to a jury trial, subsequently awarded a sum just south of \$7 million. Luckily for the taxpayers MoDOT was covered by Sovereign Immunity and only paid about \$400,000 at the time.

Due to the claim and payout, none of which we were involved in other than having the project my insurance premiums were escalated. As a business owner, these costs must be covered under later projects. These costs could have been used to build more roads, bridges, and other transportation improvements.

This is not the only story. Many of my peers have similar stories which results in years of litigation, rising insurance costs, and extreme additional costs to our road users.

Missouri taxpayers ultimately pay more, and the state gets less road and bridge work for every dollar invested. This reform keeps frivolous lawsuits at bay, protects taxpayers, and ensures qualified contractors remain willing to bid on critical transportation projects.

This Bill is a reasonable solution, and I applaud Representative Parker for bringing before your distinguished House. I urge the Committee pass it out of said Body with a Do Pass.

Thank you again, and I respectfully urge the committee to support of this Bill.



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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: TORI MERCADO		PHONE NUMBER: 417-862-5567	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: SPRINGFIELD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE		TITLE: PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER	
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CITY: SPRINGFIELD		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65806
EMAIL: tmercado@springfieldchamber.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 2/10/2026 8:29 AM	
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Dear Chairman Hurlbert and members of the House Transportation Committee:

On behalf of the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce and our more than 1,500 member businesses, please accept this letter of support for House Bill 2926, sponsored by Representative Parker.

Missouri’s legal climate plays a critical role in attracting investment, controlling costs, and ensuring that public infrastructure projects are delivered efficiently and on schedule. A stable and predictable liability framework allows public entities and private partners alike to plan responsibly, manage risk, and move projects forward with confidence.

House Bill 2926 appropriately preserves Missouri’s long-standing sovereign and governmental immunity framework while maintaining existing, narrowly defined waivers that balance accountability with fiscal responsibility. When private contractors are required to perform work in accordance with plans and specifications approved by a public entity, it is reasonable that they receive the same liability protection as the public entity they are serving.

Providing this clarity and consistency reduces unnecessary litigation risk and supports effective public-private partnerships. Without these protections, liability uncertainty can lead to higher insurance costs, inflated bids, project delays, and ultimately higher costs for taxpayers.

By reaffirming existing legal standards and clearly aligning liability with decision-making authority, House Bill 2926 promotes predictability, fairness, and the responsible delivery of public infrastructure projects across Missouri.

We appreciate your consideration and respectfully encourage your support of HB 2926.

Sincerely,

Matt Morrow
 President and CEO
 Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce
 202 S John Q Hammons Parkway
 Springfield, MO 65806



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WITNESS NAME: AIMEE LICHTENBERG		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: AIMEE WAHLERS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: AMANDA MICHEL		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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This is ridiculous and will lead to corruption and abuse.



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WITNESS NAME: AMBER FITZGERALD		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Regarding certain immunity for businesses acting within the scope of a government contract awarded by the Missouri Department of Transportation, this is not a good idea. This is not safe for the general public nor for the safety of the employees that are contracted to do the work. MoDOT as well as any government agency should be held to a higher standard for overall safety practices and expertise in their field. Accountability for mishandling of standard safety procedures is needed. Not more shielding to keep the government safe/unaccountable for their failures to ensure that they, and the agencies they secure contacts with are upholding safety protocols for their own employees and the general public.



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WITNESS NAME: AMBER THAYER-DEMIRCI		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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Businesses should be held liable for injuries caused when involved in accidents.



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: AMY HUMRICH		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I do not support this measure to end vehicle inspections and emissions testing. Air quality can already be bad on the increasing number of hot days. I don't want this to get worse.



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INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: ANDREW MUNDWILLER		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C. AC "HONEST ABE" DIENOFF		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: ASHLEY JAWORSKI		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: BARBARA SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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This bill would harm the environment by not requiring emissions testing.



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WITNESS NAME: BONNIE CONLEY		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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We cannot lose any more highway workers! This is inhumane! Hold modot accountable!!



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: CALEB LYSS-LEWIS		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Why would you suspend environmental actions!



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: CAMMIE STORM		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose this bill because we should be accountable for our actions



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WITNESS NAME: CATHERINE O'KEEFFE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I am against this terrible bill.



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WITNESS NAME: CHARITY SHELBURG		PHONE NUMBER:
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I hope that the lawmakers in Missouri will do the right thing to protect Missourians and their families to hold private companies accountable for wrongful injury and death occurrences.



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WITNESS NAME: CHRISTINA CODY		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I do not agree with this bill. Removing protections put in place to provide for the safety of a vehicle seems a problematic and dare I say dangerous prospect. Please let this bill die.



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WITNESS NAME: CHRISTOPHER GALLI		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo. Giving immunity is wrong.			



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WITNESS NAME: CINDY BERNE		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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Contractors and sub-contractors should remain responsible and liable for hurting or killing someone



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WITNESS NAME: COLEY HUEBLER		PHONE NUMBER:
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Hello I am in opposition of this bill being passed. Missourians shouldn't have to foot the bill for sub contractors hired by modot.



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: COLLIN GENTRY		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Giving immunity to contractors for causing injuries or deaths is sociopathic. This would reduce the safety standards of our contractors and put people at risk. It's a self-fulfilling prophecy.



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WITNESS NAME: CRYSTAL MARIE OSMAN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo. The government doesn't need to give more protection. Always remember Kait.		



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: DANIELLE BETTLACH		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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The passage of this bill will result in increased fatalities and car accidents. I stand in opposition to this bill.



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: DAVA-LEIGH		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose this bill. Vehicle inspections keep us safe.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: DIANE KASTEN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
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I'm a total opposition to this bill. I see no reason to give contractors carte blanche to injure or even kill someone. I also see no reason to bring such a ridiculous Bill to the floor.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: EVE BRANDES		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Giving immunity to sub contractors and contractors that work for MODot if the injure or kill someone is wrong.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: FRED CHEW		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
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When you are hired by a company you should be able to have the company held accountable for their action that cause injury and or death of that employee. The employees are held accountable for their actions and get terminated if they break the rules. The company even if its a state agency should be held to the same standards as everyone else.



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: GAVIN BENA		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: HEATHER HAGEMAN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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Why would we absolve liability of contractors BEFORE a crime of death occurs?!



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: IRENE RATHJEN		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: JACLYN JEZIK		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: JENNA MUELLER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose this bill.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: JESSIE HARTING		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: KAREN CLOYD		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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No pre-emptive immunity for govt. subcontractors/contractors. If they cause injury or death while on the job, they must be held responsible.



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WITNESS NAME: KATHLEEN HILMER-KENDALL		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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MODot is an important part of safeguarding Missouri's citizens and transportation. These are already dangerous jobs and subcontractor should be held to the same standards as if they were employed by the state. I am an opposition to this bill.



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: KAYLEE R CURTIS		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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My cousin Kaitlyn Anderson was killed tragically while 6 months pregnant worked on a busy highway for MODOT, The day of this tragedy I was on my way to the gym before work and drove under the bridge where this happened, there were so many ambulance and police and I just thought to myself something bad has happened up there, on my way home I received a phone call from my mom telling me that it was Kaitlyn up there and she had passed away. So many thoughts went through my head, she was up there and I didn't even know. Kaitlyn was like a big sister to me growing up, she was such a kind, caring person who always made everyone feel included even me her little cousin who always wanted to be with her and her friends. The last time I saw Kaitlyn was at her gender reveal and she was so excited to be having a baby boy and also just so happy to be having a healthy pregnancy since she had 3 miscarriages prior to this pregnancy. It is just so upsetting that she is no longer here when this could have been avoided, where was their TMA? You have a 25 year old 6 month pregnant women and have her out on a busy highway with only orange cones to protect them. Kaitlyn was cremated so she has no headstone to go visit, if I want to go visit her I have to go sit on the side of a busy highway and risk my own life to say hi. I miss Kaitlyn so much and I wish she could still be here, I recently got engaged and Kaitlyn would have been a big part of. MODOT needs to be held accountable for Kaitlyn and James who both lost their lives that day when MODOT should have kept their employees safe. Shortly after their passings every time I would see a MODOT truck they always had a TMA or 2. Where was there's?



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: KEVIN FITZGERALD		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
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I, Kevin FitzGerald, oppose HB 2926.



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WITNESS NAME: KIIRA STONE		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: KIM MOLESKI POWDERLY		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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This is dangerous.



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WITNESS NAME: LAURA ACKERMANN WEHRSTEN		PHONE NUMBER:
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Private Contractors must be held accountable for the quality and safety of the work provided.



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WITNESS NAME: LAURA BURKHARDT		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: LAURA ZINK		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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I oppose the elimination of inspections and emission tests



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INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: LAUREL BREWER		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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THE GOVERNMENT doesn't need to give more immunity! There needs to be accountability!**



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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: LINDA DIECKHAUS		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
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I ask that you vote against HB 2926. No entity is above the law regardless of their job capacity. This type of legislation encourages corruption and law breaking of all kinds. What are your intentions that you are afraid of abiding by laws?



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WITNESS NAME		
INDIVIDUAL:		
WITNESS NAME: MEGHAN CIRRITO		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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This sets a terrible precedent and puts Missourians at greater risk. Legislation should make the people in our state safer, not protect private contractors.



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WITNESS NAME: MELISSA HOLLRAH		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: MEREDITH SUMENEK		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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After careful review of the current statute and the newly proposed addition of Clause 4 (When acting within the scope..) I can find no sound reason for a private entity to be granted the same powers as a state entity. Adding such a clause to the current statute can only cause confusion to private citizens, difficulty when indemnifying private works on behalf of the state and could severely erode precedent in legal cases. Our country has a proud history of people being able to legally pursue justice and this change removes that historical right for no clear or beneficial reason.



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WITNESS NAME: MERRIE		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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WITNESS NAME			
INDIVIDUAL:			
WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL BROWN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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I was critically injured and have been classified by doctors as a permanent total disability because of a fatal workplace incident while I was employed by Modot on November 18, 2021. I refuse to call it an accident because under common law, an accident faults no one. Both my coworkers, James Brooks and Kaitlyn Anderson, were killed. Kaitlyn was 6 months pregnant with her rainbow baby, Jaxx Alan Jarvis. I was hospitalized for 5 weeks and in out patient therapy until December of 2022. All because my supervisor did not know the EPG, Engineering Policy Guide, and the TAs, Typical Applications, for the work we were doing that day. I didn't even know these tools existed until I was in recovery. EPG TA 616.8.10SPSFD (TA-10SPSFD) Stationary Lane Closure on a Two-Lane Highway using Portable Signal Flagger Devices (PSFDs) in the EPG is the TA for the work we were doing that day. We should of had a TMA, truck mounted attenuator, behind us protecting us. Every day Kaitlyn and I worked in the back of the striper we had at least 2 TMAs protecting us while we sat in the back of the striper. A piece of equipment was given more protection than 3 workers working in an active lane of traffic. Modot, its contractors and subcontractors do not need additional immunity. Immunity protects Modot, its contractors and subcontractors, to the detriment of their employees and the general public. It allows them to disregard safety measures and endanger their employees. Missouri is already behind in its protection of the public. We don't need to further allow these companies to have immunity. Tort immunity is a detriment to those injured and killed while working. And it already takes long enough for these issues to work their way through the legal system and already packed court system. Work comp law needs a total rework to protect your constituents. It doesn't need further protection. Do the right thing and kill this law in committee. Go back and reform work comp law. Your insurance lobbyists will be against it, but it needs to be done. Work for your constituents, not corporations, companies, and government agencies. I beg this of you. My daughter should have met Jaxx and have play dates with him. Instead, I will have to just show her pictures of Kaitlyn and tell her how she got her middle name. I am still in a legal battle with Modot for the work comp settlement I am entitled to. Modot's new and current director, Ed Hassinger, had time to be on the call terminating me. However, he hasn't pushed their lawyers to settle my claim. Tom Blair, the St Louis engineer, has not invited me to Modot's day of Remembrance since 2022. Allow these men, their department, their contractors and subcontractors to be held legally liable for their negligence. By my layman knowledge lines 37 thru 40 gives sover , Peign immunity to these companies from notice to proceed and continue after Modot accepts the project.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHAEL CAMPBELL		PHONE NUMBER: 573-864-4088
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Contractors should be held accountable if they hurt or kill someone.



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“I’ve visited the Capitol multiple times over the last three years and met many of you in person. Unfortunately, I’ve lost faith in our government, as it seems that protecting businesses takes precedence over safeguarding the people they’re meant to serve. How can you place a limit on a person’s life and prioritize the government over individuals?”

When a family loses a loved one, they are left with countless questions and a deep need for justice. If you don’t understand what you’re voting on, you don’t understand grief—the pain and suffering of a mother who has lost her child because a business failed to protect them.

It’s deeply disturbing that a representative would take a bill that honors our lost child and then render it void. How can you disregard a life in favor of protecting an entity? If this bill passes, it sends a clear message that money matters more than human lives.

It’s heartbreaking that, while you consider this bill, you’ve neglected to protect children in camps for years, as more and more kids suffer from negligence. This is unacceptable.”



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This bill is dangerous for the people of Missouri, removing a vital legal method of protection from accidents and negligence.



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I strongly oppose HB 2926 because it extends sovereign immunity protections to private contractors and subcontractors, fundamentally altering long-standing principles of accountability, tort liability, and constitutional access to the courts.

Sovereign immunity exists to protect the public treasury and core governmental decision-making — not to insulate private, for-profit actors from the consequences of their own negligence.

HB 2926 collapses this distinction by granting private contractors working under Missouri Department of Transportation contracts the same tort immunity as the state itself, even after a project is completed and formally accepted.

This bill creates a perverse incentive structure.

When private contractors are shielded from liability, the deterrent effect of tort law disappears, and the risk of negligent construction, unsafe infrastructure, and cost-cutting at the expense of public safety increases. Injured Missourians would be left without meaningful legal recourse, despite harm caused by non-government actors operating for profit.

HB 2926 also raises serious constitutional concerns by restricting access to the courts and undermining the right to seek redress for injuries. Missouri's Constitution explicitly guarantees that courts shall be open and that every person shall have a remedy for injuries to person or property.

Extending sovereign immunity to private entities — entities that do not answer to voters, do not operate under constitutional oath, and do not bear public accountability — stretches sovereign immunity beyond its lawful bounds.

The bill's language is especially troubling because the immunity continues after project acceptance, severing any remaining justification that the contractor is acting as an arm of the state. At that point, the work is complete, the profit has been realized, and the public bears the risk — without recourse.

If the General Assembly wishes to manage contractor exposure, it may do so through insurance requirements, bonding, indemnification clauses, or contractual risk allocation. Blanket immunity is neither necessary nor lawful. HB 2926 privatizes profit while socializing harm.

For these reasons, HB 2926 should be rejected in its entirety.

Sovereign immunity is a constitutional doctrine — not a convenience tool. When legislatures extend it beyond government itself, they do not protect the public; they expose it. Lawmakers who wish to be remembered as responsible stewards of Missouri law should vote NO on HB 2926 and reject the expansion of immunity to private actors who neither serve the public nor answer to it.

Constitutional & Legal Footnotes:

Missouri Constitution, art. I, § 14 — Open Courts / Certain Remedy Clause

“That the courts of justice shall be open to every person, and certain remedy afforded for every injury to person, property or character.”

Missouri Constitution, art. I, § 2 — Due Process

Protects against arbitrary deprivation of legal remedies and accountability.

Jones v. State Highway Comm’n, 557 S.W.2d 225 (Mo. banc 1977).

Missouri recognizes sovereign immunity as a narrow doctrine tied to governmental function, not private actors.

State ex rel. Trimble v. City of Independence, 540 S.W.2d 706 (Mo. banc 1976).

Sovereign immunity exists to protect public funds and policy discretion, not to absolve non-governmental negligence.

Brown v. Missouri Dep’t of Corr., 353 S.W.3d 196 (Mo. banc 2011).

Waivers and extensions of sovereign immunity are strictly construed.

U.S. Const. amend. XIV — Due Process Clause

Eliminating remedies against private actors performing governmental contracts implicates procedural and substantive due-process concerns.

Restatement (Second) of Torts § 409

General rule: one who employs an independent contractor is not immune from liability absent narrow exceptions — immunity is not presumed.

Lebron v. Nat’l R.R. Passenger Corp., 513 U.S. 374 (1995).

Private entities do not become the government simply by contracting with it.



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How is this good for Missourians? How does this make our lives better? Who does this benefit other than contractors and subcontractors? What do we get in return? Why would we give up liability for nothing? This is a clear handout.



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Bad legislation



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There's nothing about this that is good for Missourians. This strictly benefits Modot and similar entities providing enhanced protection and insulation when they fail the employees. No more immunity. No decrease in maximum payouts. This is a disgrace. This is not protecting Missouri workers. Those who filed this bill and those who vote in support do not have the best interest of the average Missouri citizen at heart.



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Kait & Jaxx deserved to live! We need more ability to prosecute guilty people. As well as hold full accountability for their actions! So many deaths yearly that shouldn't happen. All their loved ones are changed forever.

And any subsequent persons who cause any others harm. As a 20 year dispatcher for roadside emergencies I've lost several close friends from those same situations of the Slow Down Move Over laws that are just starting to be held accountable.



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