

Senator Bill Cassidy Chair Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee 428 Senate Dirksen Office Building Washington, DC, 20510

Senator Bernie Sanders Ranking Member Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee 428 Senate Dirksen Office Building Washington, DC, 20510

Dear Chair Cassidy, Ranking Member Sanders, and members of the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee:

The Coalition for Workplace Safety (CWS) writes to urge your support for David Keeling, President Trump's nominee to serve as Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health. Mr. Keeling has had a long career as a workplace safety professional and has proven capable of working with both the employee and employer community to keep our workplaces and workers safe.

CWS is comprised of associations and employers who believe in improving workplace safety through cooperation, assistance, transparency, clarity, and accountability. The CWS believes that workplace safety is everyone's concern. Improving safety can only happen when all parties – employers, employees, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) – have a strong working relationship.

Mr. Keeling started his career as a package handler at UPS and advanced to lead workplace safety and health efforts at some of the largest companies in the country. He has spent his career on the frontlines of workplace safety. He has an intimate understanding of workplace safety, how companies can protect their workers, and how workers are impacted by workplace safety and health policies.

If confirmed, Mr. Keeling will bring his years of experience and understanding of how to improve workplace safety to running OSHA. He is an exceptionally well-qualified nominee, and CWS believes the Committee should approve his nomination.

Sincerely,

Coalition for Workplace Safety