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From: William Gordon <wcharlesgo@everyactioncustom.com>
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To: Smolock, Bryan
Subject: [External] Public Comment re: Regulation #12-114: Minimum Wage, updates to the regulations governing tipped employees

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Dear Director Bryan Smolock,

As a restaurant PATRON, I support the proposed improvements to Pennsylvania's minimum wage and overtime law that would greatly affect tipped workers by ensuring that employees rightfully receive the wages and tips that they earn.

While it is still unfortunately legal for employers to pay us as little as \$2.83 per hour, the cost of doing business should not be passed along to those being paid the lowest wages. It is not fair to workers, that restaurants can legally take a portion of THEIR tips to pay credit card fees and THEY should not have to endure hours of side work that does not result in earning tips without being paid a full wage. Employers must also be doing their due diligence of informing their customers that the services fees that are included on certain bills are not actually tips being paid to us.

IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT I ALWAYS LEAVE A CASH TIP.

Sincerely,
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