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Tomorrow, the [Subcommittee on Workforce Protections](#) will hold a hearing titled “Empowering the Modern Worker.” During the hearing, the Subcommittee will explore issues related to independent workers including legislation championed by Representative Kevin Kiley (R-CA) called the Modern Worker Empowerment Act (MWEA). RILA is a strong supporter of the legislation to affirm a modern view of independent work by clarifying for all stakeholders the rules of the road related to classification. The [Coalition for Workforce Innovation](#), of which RILA is a member, issued a letter of support earlier this year. [The letter](#) states –

*“The regulatory back and forth between rules favored by changing Administrations undermines stakeholders throughout the economy. Far from providing needed clarity, these efforts continue to create uncertainty for workers and businesses who seek independent work relationships to find wage-earning opportunities, to satisfy consumer demand, and to fortify supply-chain resilience. CWI urges congressional action to provide real rules of the road by supporting the Modern Worker Empowerment Act which creates a clear definition and standard across federal laws to protect independent workers.”*

RILA encourages your office to support the MWEA and advance it from the Education and Workforce Committee to the full House.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

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