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Statement of Brent Booker, General President of the Laborers' International Union of North America, on the Passage of the House Budget Reconciliation Bill

“House Budget Bill puts Union Jobs at Risk”

Washington, D.C. (May 22, 2025) — Brent Booker, General President of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), made the following statement today on the passage of the House Budget Reconciliation Bill:

“Since the election, we have stood on one key principle: to protect good-paying jobs for LIUNA members and speak out when those jobs are under attack. We are deeply disappointed by provisions in the so-called “Big Beautiful Bill” that threaten to choke off job-creating energy infrastructure projects. These harmful cuts were made even worse to appease partisan extremists in the Freedom Caucus, who slashed clean energy incentives, even in their own backyards. Energy tax credits have helped create thousands of good union jobs for LIUNA members across the country, in red and blue districts alike. Many of these hardworking men and women wouldn't have jobs today without those credits.

In its current form, the bill upends tax incentives that have promoted clean energy projects and put tens-of-thousands of LIUNA members to work. It is clear that these cuts were not to save federal dollars, as the latest report from the [Congressional Budget Office](#) revealed deficits will actually *increase* from its passage. There is nothing ‘beautiful’ about leveraging our members’ jobs to pay for tax cuts for the wealthy.

LIUNA will always fight to protect these critical investments—and the jobs they support. On behalf of the more than 530,000 proud men and women who go to work each day building our nation as LIUNA members, we urge the U.S. Senate to advance a budget that works for all workers—not just billionaires at the top. There is a path forward, one that protects good jobs and puts the American people first.”

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The more than a half-million members of LIUNA – the Laborers' International Union of North America – are on the forefront of the construction industry, a powerhouse of workers who are proud to build the U.S. and Canada.