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Dear Chair LaLonde and Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

I have been a registered Vermont architect since 1983 and am member of AIA Vermont. I am writing in support of legislation establishing a Statute of Repose for construction professionals, H.589.

Most states have a statute of repose of 6–10 years. Vermont currently has none, which creates long-term uncertainty and risk for small businesses like mine. A 6-year statute of repose would provide fairness and predictability while still protecting consumers. Please note that even the Vermont Residential Energy Building Standards Code has a 6 year limit for redress.

Thank you for considering this important issue.

Sincerely,

Arthur B. Scofield, owner
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