



THE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE FOR U.S. MOLD BUILDERS.

July 1, 2025

The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker of the House
United States House of Representatives
H-232, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Thune
Majority Leader
United States Senate
S-230, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Johnson and Majority Leader Thune:

The American Mold Builders Association (AMBA), representing the nation's leading mold manufacturing companies, strongly supports H.R. 1, the *One Big Beautiful Bill Act*, and applauds your swift action to bring tax relief to thousands of small businesses such as our members.

Established in 1973, the AMBA is the largest organization in the U.S. dedicated solely to the mold manufacturing industry serving nearly 200 member companies and over 50 partner companies (supplier members).

Our members are predominantly passthrough businesses, paying taxes at the individual rate, making the stability that this legislation brings all the more critical. The Section 199a deduction is central to making small manufacturing businesses more competitive, here at home, and abroad.

Mold builders are capital-intensive businesses. Our members invest millions in complex machinery, high-performance software, and custom tooling to serve critical industries like automotive, aerospace, medical devices, and packaging. Permanent bonus depreciation and Section 179 expansion are necessary for us to keep up with demand and technological change.

R&D investment is directly linked to productivity growth—a core driver of long-term economic prosperity. The ability to immediately expense R&D costs encourages sustained innovation, which leads to more efficient production methods, reduced waste, improved product quality, and better customer outcomes. For manufacturers, these gains translate into stronger margins and increased global market share, reinforcing the industry's role as a cornerstone of the American economy.

Passage of H.R. 1 will help secure the future of U.S. mold building and allow our shops to compete and grow in the face of competition from China and others. Thank you for your leadership on this bill.

Sincerely,

Kym Conis
Managing Director