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On Behalf Of: Business owners
Committee: Senate Committee On Labor and Business
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB916

I strongly oppose this bill. Why is it that the Oregon Legislature continues to beat on small businesses and landlords? Then they wonder why there's job and housing shortages.

Unemployment benefits are for people who are involuntarily unemployed and are looking for employment; not for those who volunteer to walk off their job. This bill tips the scales in favor of striking and certainly will incentivize union workers to strike more often. Oregon already has enough problems attracting businesses to open their doors here - or keep them open, this will just add to the discouragement of doing so.

In addition, this bill will make everything in Oregon more expensive for everyone because of the added costs it adds to being an employer. It's employers who make those jobs possible in the first place. Stop biting the hands that feed/house us.

Vote NO on SB 916.

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