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to the house committee on labor and work place standards:

Thank you for allowing me to submit testimony. I am a retired union nurse and military veteran. For nurses to be willing to strike, you know that conditions have to be severe. I worked at OHSU in 2001 when we struck and were out for almost 2 months.

An open ended strike is hard for both sides and workers need the financial support, to still be able to pay their bills. We are outmatched by the employers and being able to collect unemployment benefits, would somewhat equalize the differential.