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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB916

Dear Members of the Senate Labor and Business Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for SB 916, which would allow striking workers to collect unemployment benefits. Unemployment insurance (UI) is a critical program designed to provide economic stability to workers and their families. Yet under current law, workers who engage in a lawful strike — often as a last resort to improve workplace conditions — are excluded. This exclusion undermines good faith bargaining, in which workers face a difficult choice between fighting for fair wages and safe working conditions and risking their ability to provide for their families.

Sincerely,  
Patrick Hiller