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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB916

RE: Support for SB 916

To the Senate Committee On Labor and Business,

We love our jobs. It's why we fight to make them safe and sustainable. We would be at work if our employers weren't standing in the way of achieving these goals. Eventually, the only thing left is to strike and create such burden on our employers that they have to listen. We should not carry that burden. We should not worry if our children are eating, if our mortgage will get paid, if our savings will be depleted...just so we can fight to keep our patients safe, provide the highest level of care, be justly compensated, have appropriate patient ratios especially for acuity, have sufficient time off...We strike because we are forced by our employers into an untenable situation and for that we should be compensated by unemployment insurance.

Thank you for accepting my testimony and I look forward to your support. Michelle, Licensed Clinical Social Worker