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

I Erin Otey Union member of the SEIU 503 Nursing Home Division Union Steward, Bargaining Committee Member, Union Leader and Suporter of all Unions and Unions for All am in favor of Senate Bill 916 which would repeal the law blocking unemployment benefits to workers on strike. This bill would ensure that workers could stay afloat while fighting for a fair contract. I have personally supported the Nurses of Providence Willamette Falls standing with them in the freezing temperatures in the morning After I work. Hearing the stories of how they are trying to pay for themselves and their families needs during a strike because a fair contract was not reached and the emotional and financial burden that is to every single striking Union Member. I urge a yes vote on SB 916 to support union members that are exercising their legally protected right to strike.