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Workers who vote to go on strike are voluntarily unemployed without good cause. In other words, they are not compelled to be unemployed by circumstances beyond their control; they make a choice to leave their jobs. Since employers fund the unemployment program by paying mandatory FUTA taxes, they should not be compelled to deplete their tax accounts for employees who could be earning their regular wages had they chosen to remain at work. The employer is placed in the untenable and unfair position of having to subsidize employees who voluntarily walked off their jobs, which causes job shut downs and concomitant loss of revenue for the employer..