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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,

As my colleagues and I are fighting for the ability to better care for our patients with safe staffing standards, receive equitable and competitive compensation so that we can retain our experienced nurses, and fight for affordable healthcare benefits, the lack of income and hardship that we are facing makes it extremely challenging to continue to stand on the line as day 30 of being on strike approaches.

Having the potential to allow striking workers to receive unemployment benefits during times of strike allows us as workers to feel empowered and able to stand up to corporations that are out for power and financial gain at the expense of their dedicated workers. Please consider this bill as it would positively impact Oregonians and force corporations to listen to its employees if workers are not put in the position of losing 100% of income during this time.

Thank you for accepting my testimony and I look forward to your support. Megan Morton RN