

Senate Labor & Business Committee:

I'm writing to STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 916 which would allow people who walk off the job to collect unemployment benefits.

Using our tax dollars to pay people to go on strike is a slap in the face to hardworking Oregonians! Our families can barely afford gas, groceries & housing, our taxes are through the roof and you want us to pay for unemployment for people who WALK OFF THE JOB?

Unemployment benefits are for people who involuntarily lose their job, NOT for people refusing to go to work. If you pay people to stay home there will be no incentive to return to work, this is just common sense. If an employee doesn't like their job, they are free to find another one, just like the rest of us.

There are already too many businesses leaving Oregon (ESPECIALLY healthcare providers) due to the open hostility of our political class toward job creators, small business & healthcare providers. SB 916 will only hasten their exit from our state.

Our representatives claim to care about lack of affordability, healthcare & JOBS for their constituents, yet often enact legislation that makes these problems worse. This bill appears to be an attempt by certain politicians to woo the union vote, who will in turn donate more money to their campaigns (quid pro quo). Once again it's regular people who will suffer with higher taxes, higher prices and fewer options for healthcare, goods & services.

STOP the corruption, do the right thing for Oregon & vote NO on SB 916!

Sincerely,

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