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As someone who is in a union I oppose this bill. Collective bargaining works because a group of workers come together and negotiate with an employer. Both sides have an interest in quick and fair negotiations. The company has lost their workers which may cause delays in production, expense at hiring other workers or any number of things. The workers have lost their wages but are willing to do so in order to get a fair contract for the future. Allowing workers who are on strike to receive unemployment disrupts this system and will also cause the striking workers to lose a lot of public goodwill.

Unemployment is for those who are unemployed. Period.