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As a member of a union for over 20 years, I see this as creating an unfair balance between businesses and unions. You would be shifting the financial burden from the unions and striking members to businesses and all tax payers. It would also add costs to the state in processing these claims.

Unemployment was created as a safety net for people experiencing involuntary job loss, not as a tool to strengthen union bargaining capabilities.

Oregon is not in a good state right now, either financially or attracting new businesses. We are ranked in the bottom for business friendliness and growth. We should be focused on ways to strengthen our economy and attract new businesses to the state.