Submitter:	Jack Gordon RN
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,

I am a nurse at OHSU who was shocked to find out that my colleagues at Providence are ineligible for unemployment despite having been out of work for almost a month. This puts undue pressure on them to accept a poor deal from their employer because of economic hardship. Without the protection of unemployment insurance, these essential workers and heroes of the covid-19 pandemic are forced to mortgage their futures to avoid present danger. Please act to safeguard working men and women of Oregon and extend unemployment benefits to striking workers!

Thank you for accepting my testimony and I look forward to your support, Jack Gordon RN