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On Behalf Of: myself and my fellow workers  
Committee: House Committee On Labor and Workplace Standards  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB916

Dear House Committee on Labor & Workplace Standards,

I support SB 916. Unemployment Insurance (UI) is for workers that are out of work. Striking workers should qualify. Bus drivers who are not getting work hours during the summer often qualify; plenty of situations qualify. UI is not only used by laid off workers or workers fired unfairly. I see no reason why striking workers cannot qualify for this insurance that we pay into.

Support the labor movement in this era when adult and CHILD labor law is being attacked. We need strong protections now.

Please represent the majority of workers that are in the working class by allowing striking workers to qualify for UI. Do not succumb to the anti union, anti working class concerns about this bill. Support the workers that raise everyone up through Union participation.

Vote yes on SB 916.

Thank you,  
Lea Belton