



A MESSAGE FROM THE ILWU

Help more workers join a union. Sign the petition for the Employee Free Choice Act!

Everyday, thousands of ILWU families are able to earn a decent living and have voice at work because we have a union. But most workers don't have a union because employers have made it nearly impossible.

Big business, anti-union politicians, and the billion-dollar union-busting industry have rigged federal labor laws so employers can get away with threatening, harassing, and firing workers to stop them from joining a union. Most workers give up hope of having a union because it means risking their jobs.

Loopholes in our labor laws allow this un-American practice to continue. The result is that only seven percent of private sector workers now have a union, forcing more working families to struggle to make ends meet.

Fortunately we can change the law to help workers and end this injustice by supporting the Employee Free Choice Act.

The Employee Free Choice Act will level the playing field so that workers can choose if they want a union to bargain for better pay and benefits. The Act has passed the U.S. House of Representatives, but needs more votes to pass in the Senate.

Please sign the petition today and lend your voice to this important fight. The ILWU is working with dozens of unions in the AFL-CIO to gather ONE MILLION signatures that will be presented to the next U.S. President, demanding passage of the Employee Free Choice Act.

[NOTE: Barack Obama strongly supports the Employee Free Choice Act. John McCain strongly opposes the Act and its workers rights protections.]

An injury to one is an injury to all.

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