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The Education Committee
Room 2C, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106
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Re: 3/5/12 Agenda #19 S.B. No. 304 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF LABOR HISTORY IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

I am not in support of the Act Concerning The Inclusion Of Labor History In The Public School Curriculum.

To: Co-Chair's Andrew M. Fleischmann, Andrea L. Stillman, Vice Chair's Douglas McCrory, John W. Fonfara, Ranking Member's Marilyn Giuliano, Antonietta Boucher, Members, Tim Ackert, Beth Bye, Christie M. Carpino, Michelle L. Cook, Paul Davis, Henry J. Genga, Auden Grogins, Toni Nathaniel Harp, Gary A. Holder-Winfield, DebraLee Hovey, Susan M. Johnson, David W. Kiner, Noreen S. Kokoruda, Brenda L. Kupchick, Gail Lavielle, Timothy B. LeGeyst, Matthew Lesser, Christopher Lyddy, Steven T. Mikutel, Patricia Billie Miller, Sandy H. Nafis, Michael L. Molgano, Tom Reynolds, Jason Rojas, Robert Sanchez, Prasad Srinivasan, Len, Suzio.

With all the funding cuts to education, sports and music programs being cut from school systems state wide I find this proposed Act Concerning the Inclusion of Labor History in the Public School Curriculum to be ridiculous. Not to mention in this struggling economy the cost for new school related materials and books. Who is going to pay for that? taxpayers like myself? I do not think that our young children are going to get the education they need to get into college by learning about "Collective Bargaining and Labor Laws" Is that really what this act is? Or is it just an attempt for the union to sneak this in so that new laws can be written to cover self employed business owners so they to can in fact be forced to unionize?

Ladies and Gentlemen;

I'm an in-home family childcare provider and I would like you to vote **NO** on this Act. I am being forced by Executive Order No. 9 to join a union against my will and I Do Not Support The Teaching Of Union Labor History In Our Schools. I do not support spending taxes dollars we do not have on this form of education. I Do Not Support This Bill!

Thank you,

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