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Labor and Public Employees Committee
Room 3800, Legislative Office Building
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Re: 3/13/12 Agenda 2. S.B. No. 352 RAISED) AN ACT CREATING A PROCESS FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS TO COLLECTIVELY BARGAIN WITH THE STATE. 2:30 PM in Room 1B of the LOB

I am AGAINST of An Act Creating A Process For Family Child Care Providers To Collectively Bargain With The State.

TO: CO- Chairman, The Hon. Edith Prague, Co-Chair, The Hon. Zeke Zalaski, Vice-Chair, The Hon. Edwin Gomes, Vice-Chair, The Hon. Ezequiel Santiago, Ranking Member, The Hon. Anthony Guglielmo, Ranking Member, The Hon. John Rigby, Member, The Hon. Bill Aman, Member, The Hon. Lou Esposito, Member, The Hon. Ernest Hewett, Member, The Hon. David Kiner, The Member, Craig Miner

I strongly object as an independent owner of a company to be forced to join a union. I believe it was an abuse of power by the governor to issue this executive order forcing people to join unions. It was a violation of our constitutional right of freedom of association. The union representative stated that no one is being forced to join the union, that we have the right to shut down our daycare if we refuse to join. I was appalled by that statement. In essence she was stating that we join or we give up our right to run a family daycare home. If this law goes through, I will lose my livelihood as I will not join a union because I believe that my rights are being violated.

Sincerely,



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