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To: LABTestimony
Subject: Support HB 5066

Dear Labor Committee,

On February 18, 2014, a public hearing will be held on the **HB 5066, AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN WORKER'S RIGHTS TO COLLETIVELY BARGAIN.**

I am writing to ask for your support on legislation that will provide a basic human right to a group of employees currently denied a voice on the job, the right to form a union.

I work for the Probate Court in New Britain. Currently everything, i.e... vacation time, sick time, healthcare, retirement plans , and many other conditions of employment are under the control of Probate Administration. **No one in the Probate Court system throughout the state has job security.** In my 33 years of working at the Probate Court, I've seen a lot of changes, also instances where all the employees of certain courts had been fired just because a new judge is elected and has his own people to replace the hard working clerks. It doesn't matter if you're short or long time employee, you can be fired at will.

By giving us the ability to form a union, we can make sure we are fairly compensated for our work and have the job security we deserve.

HB 5066, AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN WORKER'S RIGHTS TO COLLETIVELY BARGAIN, would update state laws to give us the same rights as most other employees in the state. **Can I count on your support for this bill?**

Thank you,
Cecelia B. Hann