## Kess, Quinn

**From:** Sen. Osten, Catherine
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2014 4:08 PM
**To:** Kess, Quinn
**Subject:** FW: Support HB 5066: Everyone Deserves to Have a Voice on the Job

Catherine A. Osten
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From: Martha Gothers [mailto:mgothers@att.net]
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 1:16 PM
To: Sen. Osten, Catherine
Subject: Support HB 5066: Everyone Deserves to Have a Voice on the Job

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.

Currently probate employees wages, vacation time, sick time, healthcare, retirement plans, and many other conditions of employment all are under the control of an administrator in West Hartford. Employees are afraid to speak up because they can be fired at will. A group of them have come together to form a union, but the law prohibits they from doing so.

HB 5066, AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN WORKERS' RIGHTS TO COLLECTIVELY 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.

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