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Members of the House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee  
New Hampshire State House  
107 N Main St, Concord, NH 03303

Re: Support Senate Bill 61

Dear Representative,

On behalf of Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) and our supporters across New Hampshire, **I urge you to support Senate Bill 61**, legislation that prohibits collective bargaining agreements that require employees to join a labor union. If implemented, S.B. 61 would finally make New Hampshire a Right to Work state.

**Right to Work laws allow workers the freedom of employment without forced membership in a labor union or forced payment to a union boss.** While workers are free to join a union if they choose to do so, this bill simply affirms that workers in New Hampshire never have to join a union just to get a job. Existing Right to Work Laws protect 166 million Americans in 27 states, more than half the U.S. population.

If implemented, Senate Bill 61 would be a massive victory for New Hampshire workers. **Research shows that Right to Work states experience stronger growth in the number of people employed, growth in manufacturing employment, and growth in the private sector.**

[According](#) to the National Institute for Labor Relations Research, the percentage growth in the number of people employed between 2007-2017 in Right to Work states was 8.8%, and 4.2% in forced-unionism states. Growth in manufacturing employment between 2012-2017 in Right to Work states was 5.5%, and 1.7% in forced-unionism states. The percentage growth in the private sector from 2007-2017 in Right to Work states was 13.0%, and 10.1% in forced-unionism states.

Additionally, states that compel workers to join a union are losing residents at a rapid rate. An [analysis](#) by Stan Greer of the National Institute for Labor Relations Research found that forced unionism states, between 2007-2017, experienced net migration of -7.4%, whereas Right to Work states experienced a 1.6% growth in number of residents.

**No worker in the Granite State should be forced to choose between putting food on the table and paying off a union boss.** If S.B. 61 becomes law, no worker will have to make that choice.

**ATR supports S.B. 61 and urges the House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee to vote YES.**

Best,

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