



Right to Work Crossfire

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The National Right to Work Committee has launched a \$100,000 ad campaign pushing Republicans to rescind the very first concession they made: consigning a right-to-work bill to a summer study committee.

Even before the walkout, Governor Daniels had urged Republicans not to advance the bill outlawing mandatory union dues, arguing the GOP hadn't campaigned on it, and accurately warning it could disrupt the legislative session.

Ad rips Daniels, Bosma for giving up on right-to-work legislation

Nwi.com

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That ad, part of a \$100,000 newspaper, mail and telephone campaign sponsored by the Virginia-based National Right to Work Committee, says if right-to-work doesn't pass, Daniels and Bosma "will be every bit as much to blame as the Democrats for your refusal to stand up and fight."

New ad campaign pressures Republicans to bring Democrats back

Fox59.com

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The first ad produced by the National Right to Work Committee and the Indiana Right to Work Committee features not-too-flattering photos of both Speaker of the House, Brian Bosma and Governor Mitch Daniels, accusing them both of selling out and running scared.

Boycott reaches 30 days for Ind. House Democrats

Forbes.com

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The impasse was first sparked by a so-called "right-to-work" bill that Republican Gov. Mitch Daniels had warned could derail other proposals, but that bill is now dead. The National Right to Work Committee and its Indiana affiliate announced Tuesday a newspaper ad campaign urging Daniels and Republicans to revive the issue. Democrats said they trust Republicans who have assured them the issue will not be resurrected, but said the campaign reflects mounting pressure from the right.

Talks stall; House walkout drags on

Fort Wayne Journal Gazette Online
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But the National Right to Work Committee and Indiana Right to Work Committee on Tuesday began a \$100,000 statewide media campaign to try to get the issue back on the table. One newspaper ad tries to shame Daniels and Bosma for bending to the unions.

Pressure on Democratic Leaders to Return

News and Tribune.com
3/23/2011

At a press conference in Indianapolis, the head of the Virginia-based National Right to Work Committee said Gov. Mitch Daniels and House Speaker Brian Bosma should “use their authority” to force the 39 Democrats to return by imposing \$10,000-a-day fines on the missing lawmakers and levying liens on their personal property.

Union Busters Say Gov. Mitch Daniels Doesn't Know How To Bust | TPMDC

TPMDC.com
3/23/2011

But the NRTW says Daniels and Bosma have fallen down on the job, after pressure from unions and their allies in the Democratic party. Five weeks ago, 39 of the 40 Democrats in the state House fled to Illinois, denying the majority Republicans the quorum they need to pass any legislation and shutting down the right to work bill. Daniels called on Republicans to drop the right to work bill, in order to bring the Democrats home, and they obliged.

Daniels, Bosma Told to Show Backbone

Trib.Star.com
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Right-To-Work Ad Blasts GOP, Makes Dems Nervous

TheIndyChannel.com, TV 6
3/23/2011

The newspaper ad by National Right To Work Committee blasts Gov. Mitch Daniels and House Speaker Brian Bosma, both Republicans for "selling out," and demands they stand up to "big labor."

Group Pushes Right to Work Comeback

WISH TV 8
3/23/2011

The group, the Right to Work (RTW) Committee, has two goals: getting House Democrats back in Indiana and passing right-to-work.

ALJ Orders IBT to Pay TV Show Driver More Than \$55,000 After ULP Charge

Daily Labor Report Online
3/21/11

Coghill obtained legal representation from the National Right to Work Foundation, whose legal information director, Patrick Semmens, in a March 17 statement characterized the Teamsters' behavior as “petty and disgusting discrimination.”

Critical Mention

WTVW TV, Evansville, IN

national and indiana right to work committee workers plan to put pressure on the missing indiana house democrats to come back to work. the groups presidents plan to announce a one-hundred thousand dollar media campaign. the initial ad will run in the indianapolis star...and offi

Legislature will proceed to discuss bills

Indystar.com
3/22/11

Republicans also are being targeted by groups that have been allies. The National Right to Work Committee and the Indiana Right to Work Committee say they are launching a media campaign to push Daniels and legislative leaders to let the right-to-work bill come up for a vote. That legislation would bar unions and companies from negotiating contracts that impose representation fees on nonmembers.

Seventh Circuit OKs Joint Committee Awards, Rejecting Federal Arbitration Act Challenge

Daily Labor Report Online
3/21/11

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit held March 18 that a lower court properly rejected an excavation contractor's suit to vacate grievance awards by a joint union-management committee that allegedly was biased against the company and improperly conducted proceedings with a panel whose union panelists outnumbered its management members (Merryman Excavation Inc. v. Int'l Union of Operating Eng'rs Local 150, 7th Cir., No. 09-3271, 3/21/11).

Allied Systems Averts Teamsters Strike, But Some Jobs at Risk as Service to GM Ends

Daily Labor Report Online
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Shortly after Allied Systems Holdings March 17 averted a strike threatened by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters over a pay cut, the company notified General Motors it would no longer deliver GM's vehicles to dealers, possibly putting some union jobs in jeopardy, sources told BNA March 21.

Election Officer Orders Hoffa Slate to Cease Using IBT Resources for Campaign Activities

Daily Labor Report Online
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The election supervisor overseeing the International Brotherhood of Teamsters' election of officers March 14 ordered the campaign of IBT President James P. Hoffa and each candidate on his slate to cease and desist from using union resources to conduct campaign activity.

Election Supervisor Richard W. Mark directed the campaign specifically to cease and desist from offering any job or benefit where the "offeror has the authority at the time to consummate the offer and the offer is made solely in exchange for partisan political activity or is designed solely to create electoral advantage for the incumbent appointing officer and his or her campaign or slate of candidates for union office."

Sodexo USA Files RICO Lawsuit Against SEIU

Breitbart.com
3/17/11

"This is about protecting the Company's business and the rights of our employees to vote freely about union representation," said Robert Stern, Senior Vice President and General Counsel for Sodexo USA. "We work constructively with unions every day but the SEIU has crossed the line by breaking the law. We will not tolerate the SEIU's tactics any longer. Their campaign jeopardizes our Company and our employees' jobs, and ultimately would rob our employees of their right to vote."

Threat of teachers strike looms with Mich law

Washington Times Online
3/21/11

LANSING, Mich. | Some Michigan lawmakers are reacting with anger to a threat by the state's largest teachers union to strike over emergency financial manager legislation signed into state law last week.

Wisconsin Asks Appeals Court to Block Order Halting Union-Bargaining Law

Bloomberg News Online
3/21/11

Wisconsin's attorney general asked an appeals court to block a state judge's order that temporarily halted a law curbing government employee unions' collective-bargaining power.

State Attorney General J.B. Van Hollen today also asked the Wisconsin Court of Appeals for permission to file an appeal seeking to overturn the ruling by Circuit Court Judge Maryann Sumi.

CWA, AFL-CIO Praise AT&T Acquisition Of T-Mobile USA With Organizing Neutrality

Daily Labor Report Online
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AT&T would follow its practice used in all previous acquisitions to ensure true management neutrality regarding employee collective bargaining rights, allowing workers to make their own choice about union representation, CWA spokeswoman Candice Johnson told BNA March 21. At AT&T Mobility, as AT&T acquired new companies, workers have chosen union representation through several different election processes in about 300 events, she said.

AT&T noted that it is the only major U.S. wireless company with a unionized workforce. The combined company would continue to have a strong employee and operations base in the Seattle area, AT&T said March 20 in a statement.

Montana Public Employees Association Affiliates With National and State AFL-CIO

Daily labor Report Online
3/22/2011

The independent Montana Public Employees Association recently affiliated with the national AFL-CIO, as well as the Montana State AFL-CIO, the parties announced March 21.