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Right to Work is Designed to hurt all Wage Earners

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The two major supporters of Right To Work (for less) are the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation and the aforementioned National Right to Work Committee. Both are funded by large corporations and groups like the Koch brothers foundations (the brothers have about \$38 billion between them — they're big in toilet paper). These people are not exactly known for their support of workers, Rep. Smith.

Smith failed to mention some juicy information. For example, all the former slave states are Right to Work states. Kind of gives you the mentality of the Right to Work (for less) supporters, doesn't it?

Dane County Judge Blocks implementation of Union Bargaining Bill

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That appeared even more likely after a hearing on Tuesday, when a Dane County judge again ordered the state to put the law on hold while she considers a broader challenge to its legality. She chastised state officials for ignoring her earlier order to halt the law's publication.

In Wisconsin, Big Labor politicians help make Right to Work Case

The Daily Caller Online 3/30/2011

Every two years, compulsory unionism's corrupting influence on America's political system is on display. Union officials funnel huge sums of money, estimated to be in excess of a billion dollars, into federal, state and local elections.

This money comes straight from union treasury accounts that consist overwhelmingly of dues and fees that millions of workers are forced to fork over as a condition of employment.

Revised Bill on Collective Bargaining Advances in Ohio

New York Times Online 3/29/2011

Republicans said they had made some of the changes to accommodate unions, but Democrats said the revised bill was worse than the original, especially a new provision that would prohibit nonunion employees from paying fees to unions.

We've tried to make the bill somewhat more palatable for unions while maintaining a strong bill," said Mike Dittoe, a spokesman for the Speaker William G. Batchelder.

Other changes include the addition of a measure to prevent public workers from giving payroll deductions to a union's political action committee and the removal of a provision that could have subjected strikers to jail time. Another would allow workers to use collective bargaining for safety equipment issues.

Anti-union mood moves to Nebraska's modest unions

Boston.com 3/30/2011

Lawmakers unveiled a package this week in response to frustration with the Commission of Industrial Relations, which resolves labor disputes between public workers and their employers. An anti-union sentiment in the wake of union battles in Wisconsin and Ohio led small-government groups and some lawmakers to call for an end to Nebraska's commission and collective bargaining rights.

WI AFL-CIO Holds Joint Rally with Planned Parenthood

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Maybe if you've been a union member for some time, you've been able to avoid some level of discomfort over your union dues going to the political campaigns of Democrats. Maybe you're a hard-working conscientious person who can rationalize this by saying that, after all, the Democrats are more pro-union than Republicans, generally speaking. Maybe you were able to swallow your irritation at the massive union support for Obamacare despite knowing full well that Obamacare was likely to eliminate many working class jobs as companies could not afford to afford the mandate. Now, on the other hand, the Wisconsin AFL-CIO has gone one step farther to stand in defense of an organization - Planned Parenthood - that has nothing whatsoever to do with union or working issues. That's right: from now on you (or at least your union dues) are now in favor of taxpayer funding for abortion