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It's Labor Day, not Union Day

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The fact is that modern unions are built on the legal privilege of compulsion. In 28 states without Right to Work laws, nonunion employees can be fired for refusing to pay union dues. Millions more nonunion workers have no choice but to accept union bargaining over their wages and working conditions.

Obama NLRB eliminates secret ballot elections making card check forced unionism a reality

Biggovernment.com, 8/30/2011

This is particular heinous in non-Right To Work states where employees are forced to pay union dues and fees regardless of the fact that they did not want the union. The NLRB's actions again prove why the National Right To Work Act needs to be passed. Then, every American will have the freedom to withhold his paycheck from union bosses if they choose.

3 NLRB Decisions 'will kill jobs and force business closures,' critics say

The Daily Caller Online, 8/30/2011

The Dana Corp. decision allowed workers the opportunity to request a secret ballot election within a 45-day window following a "card-check" organizing effort. Card-check organizing efforts are when union bosses try to get workers they're targeting to sign cards indicating they want to have a union election

NLRB's Labor Day Gifts To Unions

Investors.com, 8/30/2011

The National Right to Work Foundation also condemned it, noting in their release that "Obama-appointed board member Craig Becker, who co-authored a union brief in the original Dana case, refused to recuse himself from the case." Dana was the 2007 voluntary recognition case.

High-ranking House Republican calls on President Obama to rein in the NLRB

The Daily Caller Online, 8/31/2011

Via its newly-decided Lamons Gasket case, the NLRB eliminated the 2007 Dana Corp ruling, which the National Right to Work Foundation said protected workers from “coercive practices” union organizers often use to “bully or mislead employees

PA State Labor Chairman Says Right-to-work ‘Not a priority’ this session

Upper Saucon Patch.com, 8/30/2011

“Workers should be free to make their own decisions about the organizations they join and give their money. It’s the American way,” said Kevin Shivers, state director of the Pennsylvania Federation of Independent Businesses, which represents small businesses in the state.

Red Cross workers in the Great Lakes Region may strike

workplacechoice.org, 8/30/2011

The Red Cross reports 280 Red Cross nurses and Blood Collection Staff Members, who are members of OPEIU Local #459 and Teamsters Local #580 unions, have issued a potential work stoppage that would begin at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday September 7th if a new contract can’t be reached.

Secretary Solis: Watch Where You Park Your Car

carpediemblog, 8/31/2011

Labor Secretary Hilda Solis said yesterday that she was inspired to buy a Chevrolet Equinox "because of the pride she saw in American auto workers during trips to U.S. car and truck plants. She said that she was wowed by the pride they take making our automobiles here in America." Whoops! Turns out the Equinox was built by proud Canadian auto workers.

Labor Will Build a Movement ‘Of, By, and For’ All Workers, financed by forced dues

Daily Labor Report Online, 8/31/2011

During the federation's annual Labor Day press conference, Trumka outlined what he said is a new year-round mobilization effort being created that will “speak for and to working people” about economic issues.

Court Sides with NLRB Holdings On Employers' Refusal to Accept Card Checks

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The National Labor Relations Board properly found that three flooring contractors, collectively referred to as J&R Flooring, did not act in bad faith when they refused to honor the results of a card check conducted by Local 159 of the Painters and Allied Trades, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit ruled Aug. 29 (International Union of Painter & Allied Trades v. J&R Flooring Inc., 9th Cir., No. 08-17089, 8/29/11).