## **Pass Anti-Scab Labour Legislation**

## To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

**Whereas** the use of replacement workers undermines workers' collective power, unnecessarily prolongs labour disputes, and removes the essential power that the withdrawal of labour is supposed to give workers to help end a dispute, that is, the ability to apply economic pressure.

Whereas the use of scab labour contributes to higher-conflict picket lines, jeopardizes workplace safety, de-stabilizes normalized labour relations between workers and their employers and removes the employer incentive to negotiate and settle fair contracts. Whereas strong and fair anti-scab legislation will help lead to shorter labour disputes, safer workplaces, and less hostile picket lines.

**Whereas** similar legislation has been introduced in British Columbia and Quebec with no increases to the number of strike or lockout days.

**Whereas** Ontario had anti-scab legislation under an NDP government, that was unfortunately ripped away from workers by the Harris conservatives.

We the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:

- To prohibit employers from using replacement labour for the duration of any legal strike or lockout
- To prohibit employers from using both external and internal replacement workers;
- To include significant financial penalties for employers who defy the anti-scab legislation; and
- To support Ontario's workers and pass anti-scab labour legislation, like the Ontario NDP Bill 90, Anti-Scab Labour Act, 2023.



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