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Kansas Senate Joins Growing National Anti-“Card Check” Movement

State Sen. Huelskamp Spearheads State Legislative Effort

Washington, D.C. — Today, Kansas State Senator Tim Huelskamp joined hundreds of other state leaders nationwide in the grassroots battle against the Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA), commonly known as “card check”, by introducing a pro-worker resolution co-sponsored by 24 other state Senators.

Kansas Senate Resolution 1828 calls on the federal Congressional delegation that represents Kansas to oppose the Employee Free Choice Act by saying the federal bill “will replace a federally supervised private ballot election with a system that facilitates coercion and intimidation...whereby employees publically sign cards to vote for unionization.”

“This resolution will send a clear message that the people of Kansas oppose this Washington-run scheme to take away their democratic right to a secret ballot,” said State Sen. Tim Huelskamp. **“When voting on measures that can dramatically affect their employment, workers have a fundamental right to make their decision in private.”**

The Kansas Senate anti-“card check” resolution has received the endorsement of the Kansas Chamber of Commerce. **“Not only will EFCA disenfranchise workers, but it will force Kansas businesses into binding arbitration that will compel many small businesses to shut down,”** says Jeff Glendening, Vice President of Political Affairs for the Kansas Chamber.

This nationwide grassroots legislative effort being led by the Alliance for Worker Freedom (AWF) in Washington, DC has been introduced in almost a dozen states with many more legislative commitments. **“EFCA is not only a DC issue,”** said Brian Johnson, AWF Executive Director. **“If passed, this will hurt businesses and workers in every state.”**

The other Senate co-sponsors are: Steve Abrams, Pat Apple, James Barnett, Karin Brownlee, Terry Bruce, Pete Brungardt, Les Donovan, Jay Scott Emler, Richard Kelsey, Julia Lynn, Bob Marshall, Ty Masterson, Carolyn McGinn, Stephen Morris, Ralph Ostmeier, Thomas Owens, Mary Pilcher-Cook, Dennis Pyle, Derek Schmidt, Mark Taddiken, Ruth Teichman, Dwayne Umbarger, John Vratil and Susan Wagle.

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