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Comments regarding the proposed Health Authorities Act

Some Key Points to Raise with the Law Amendments Committee on The New Health Authorities Act

My name is Angela Naugle. I am a occupational therapist who has worked for 25 years. I work with Capital Health.

I do not support any legislation that will result in health care workers being forced into a union without having the opportunity to vote. I feel that the government is not respecting us as Professionals and our right to chose and to have Union representation and input into decisions that affect us and our daily roles in the workplace.

Health Care workers and support staff work tirelessly to serve the health needs of all Nova Scotians. We strive to provide quality patient care, be client-centred and excellent customer service to the people we see even in an environment of reduced resources. We deserve to be treated in the same way and not have the Rights we have earned legislated away and our voices silenced

It is unacceptable to be told what is going to happen to us. Where was the ask?

I fear that this will impact moral, worker productivity and make health care people think twice about working in our wonderful province, all of which will negatively impact patient care. This will not improve patient access to care

I support my fellow health care staff across the Province in opposing this high-handed action by the liberal government. This should not be passed in its present form and needs to be withdrawn.

There are other ways to restrain costs and streamline services.

At the very least we should be given the right to vote on our Union representation.

Thank you, Angela Naugle