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Subject: Bill 1-Health Authorities Act and the NSGEU.

Hello,

My name is Patricia Hollis and I am a Short Order Cook with Capital District Health Authority, V.G. site, Scotia Room Cafeteria for the last 21 yrs. I started out in my job as a cashier and worked my way up. I had many low paying, non unionized jobs where I was taken advantage of. My grandfather came to this Country and more specific, Nova Scotia to find work. He and his new wife emigrated from Hungary, through Ellis Island in New York, USA and settled first in Pennsylvania.

There was a general call in Sydney, N.S. for competent steel workers and people to work in the coke ovens at the former DOSCO, which stood for Dominion Iron and Steel. Mr. Hollis went, did a trial for this company and was hired quite rapidly as he was a very industrious worker. There was no union then. Everyone worked hard, long hours and did the best for the company they worked for, and had loyalty. Now I am a third generation of my family and I work hard and worked as hard for a non unionized company. This province, this country is my home and I have a lot of feeling and loyalty to it. We are not American and I resent the fact that our Premier would like to bring the United States way of thinking here. Our unions do not denigrate us, or try to penalize the government.

We deserve better, Mr. Premier, from you, the elected head of our Province, than to try and strip away our dignity, and our rights that every Nova Scotian and Canadian has fought for. Fought for in world wars and in labour disputes where lives were lost trying to better ourselves. Please rethink this Bill in it's present form and allow us to keep our Union, the NSGEU as a whole.

Respectfully
Patricia C. Hollis

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