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To: Office of the Legislative Counsel
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Dear Committee,

I am not a greedy person. We live modestly and that's fine - I make a decent living as a teacher and my family is comfortable. The government's proposed wage freeze and subsequent incremental increase was okay with me. I thought it was fair, and I still think it is fair, but it is not for you to impose from on high.

I will fight your attempt to bring our union to its knees. Never have I felt so belittled, and that makes me angry. I'm insulted by this government's tactics to weaken the unions, who's job it is to balance workers' financial security and working conditions with the employer's financial (and in this case political) agenda.

My job is rewarding in ways you (given your recent actions) could not possibly comprehend. It is rewarding because I work every day to help students understand and respect one another. I teach them respect by showing it to them first, through dialogue, and by emphasizing LISTENING over talking. I don't think it's unreasonable for our unions to expect the same courtesy. I ask you to please shelve Bill 148, and start listening.

Sincerely,

Bianca Ridler