

Telegram to Gordon Hansen, Legislative Assembly

We would like to state our unconditional support for the stand you are taking in speaking against Bill 3. We do not believe that the amendments to the bill substantially alter its effect. The bill still allows no contracted limitation on the reduction of staff, and no necessary adherence to the terms of a collective agreement in laying off staff. Employers may now use organizational changes as a means of laying off those people they choose to lay off. Seniority protections have not been restored. The bill also gives the Cabinet the option of giving management the power to relocate, reclassify or reassign any employee. This bill does not represent public sector restraint as it claims to. Restraint can be practiced without this kind of heavy-handed dictatorial legislation. We support you in your opposition to this bill.

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