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STATEMENT: PRO ACT WILL FORCE BUSINESSES TO CLOSE & EMPLOYEES OUT OF WORK ACROSS THE U.S.

Legislation Would Diminish Employees' Rights & Threaten Job Creation Nationwide

Washington, D.C. – The Coalition for a Democratic Workplace (CDW), composed of hundreds of organizations representing millions of businesses that employ tens of millions of workers nationwide in nearly every industry, released the following statement today in response to the pending introduction of the Protecting the Right to Organize (PRO) Act in Congress this week.

The following statement is attributable to CDW Chair Kristen Swearingen:

“In an attempt to increase union membership at any cost, the bill would make radical changes to well-established law, diminish employees’ rights to privacy and association, destroy businesses, particularly small ones, and threaten entire industries that have fueled innovation, entrepreneurship and job creation.”

“With this legislation, Congressional Democrats are attempting to implement Obama-era labor law policies that were rejected by the judicial system, opposed on a bipartisan basis and/or abandoned by the agencies asked to enforce them.”

“At a time when thousands of small businesses are struggling to keep their doors open and employees retained during the COVID pandemic, this bill would force businesses to close permanently and cost workers their livelihoods. Bottomline, hundreds of thousands of Americans could lose their job and important employee rights if this bill is enacted.”

Click here (<https://myprivateballot.com/issues/pro-act/>) for more information on the negative impacts of the PRO Act.

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About The Coalition for a Democratic Workplace

CDW is a broad-based coalition of hundreds of organizations representing hundreds of thousands of employers and millions of employees in various industries across the country concerned with a long-standing effort by some in the labor movement to make radical changes to the National Labor Relations Act without regard to the severely negative impact they would have on employees, employers, and the economy. CDW was originally formed in 2005 in opposition to the so-called Employee Free Choice Act (EFCA) – a bill similar to the PRO Act – that would have stripped employees of the right to secret ballots in union representation elections and allowed arbitrators to set contract terms regardless of the consequence to workers or businesses.

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