

CALL SCRIPT

Let your Senators know that they must **OPPOSE** the so-called Employee Free Choice Act or “Card Check” legislation



What to Do

- **CALLING YOUR SENATOR IS EASY.** If you haven't done it before, don't be intimidated.
- **CALLING IS IMPORTANT.** Senators keep track of the calls received for and against the Employee Free Choice Act. Regardless of your Senator's position on the legislation, your calls are imperative. In addition to having your voice heard on this important issue, the calls are used to reinforce the work of ABC's lobbyists working on Capitol Hill.
- **CALL THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL SWITCHBOARD AT (202) 224-3121.** A switchboard operator will connect you directly with the Senate office you request. If you don't know who your Senators are, simply ask for the Senators from your state.
- **ASK TO SPEAK WITH THE SENATOR'S STAFF MEMBER WHO HANDLES LABOR ISSUES.** If he or she is not available, leave a message or record a message on the answering machine.
- **IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS SOMEONE THEY REPRESENT - A CONSTITUENT.**
- **USE THE TALKING POINTS BELOW.** Try not to argue. Just express your opinion. Say why you feel the way you do, and ask the Senator to **OPPOSE** the Employee Free Choice Act or card check legislation. Keep it simple.
- **SEEK ASSURANCES** that the message will be given to the Senator, and request a response in writing.

What to Say

Hello my name is _____ (your name), I live in _____ (City) _____ (State).

I work for _____ (employer) and am _____ (job title) within the company.

I am calling to ask the Senator to vote **NO** on the “Employee Free Choice Act.” I believe that this legislation is undemocratic and anti-worker. It would:

- eliminate the private-ballot election in the workplace when deciding whether or not to join a union. This would expose employees to intimidation and coercion; and
- exclude workers from voting on the union contract. The mandatory, binding arbitration provision in the bill removes union employees from the contract process and would let an arbitrator impose a binding contract on employees without their vote.

Would you please present my concerns directly to Senator _____, and also send me a letter about his (or her) views on the bill?

My contact information is _____.

Thank you for your time.



For more information, go to www.abc.org/cardcheck