



# AMERICANS *for* TAX REFORM



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Dear Members of the New Hampshire Senate,

On behalf of Americans for Tax Reform and the Center for Worker Freedom, we write today urging you to support Senate Bill 11. SB 11, a right-to-work bill, would prohibit forced union membership and payment of related dues and fees as a condition of employment.

To date, there are 27 right-to-work states, five of which enacted their laws in the last five years. Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin most recently signed a right-to-work bill into law on January 7, and Missouri Governor Eric Greitens will be next, as right-to-work legislation is moving swiftly through his state's legislature.

A large body of research has found the workplace freedom and flexibility that come with right-to-work laws give states a competitive advantage in attracting businesses.

NERA Economic Consulting's Jeffrey A. Eisenach, PhD concluded in his report, Right-to-Work Laws: The Economic Evidence, "RTW laws have a positive impact on economic growth, employment, investment, and innovation, both directly and indirectly."

Dr. Eisenach found that between 2001 and 2013, private sector employment in right-to-work states grew by 17.4 percent, more than double the growth in non-right-to-work states, 8.2 percent.

In addition to the economic benefits it would bring to New Hampshire, right-to-work is also the moral thing to do. Nobody should be forced to fork over a chunk of his or her hard-earned paycheck to a labor entity as a condition of employment.

The First Amendment grants all Americans the freedom of speech and assembly, and forcing someone to belong to and financially support a union clearly violates those basic rights. ATR and CWF support SB 11, and encourage lawmakers to vote yes.

If you have any questions, or if ATR can be of assistance, please contact Margaret Mire, ATR's state affairs coordinator, at [mmire@atr.org](mailto:mmire@atr.org) or [202-785-0266](tel:202-785-0266).

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