DATE: February 26, 2015

TO: Honorable West Virginia Legislators

FROM: Kenny Perdue, President, West Virginia AFL-CIO

RE: So-called "Right to Work" Legislation

So-called "Right to Work" laws <u>have not</u> proven to bring economic success to states. Bureau for Labor Statistics data shows that the rate of workplace deaths is 54.4 percent higher in states with "Right-to-Work" laws. In Oklahoma, which adopted a "Right-to-Work" law over a decade ago, manufacturing employment has fallen dramatically and the total number of new companies coming into the state has dropped by one-third.



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Ohio Gov. John Kasich, a Republican, said he's seen no evidence that not being a right-to-work state has kept businesses from locating in Ohio. West Virginia Republicans, under the leadership of Senate President Bill Cole (right) are pushing for a right-to-work law in the Mountain State, arguing that it will attract businesses. See more at:

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## "Right to Work" is WRONG!