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Dear Representative/Senator -

On behalf of the over 25,000 human service workers and educators represented by SEIU Local 509, I'm reaching out to you to ask that you stand with working people and cosponsor the following pieces of legislation:

H.2191/S.877 ENHANCED CARE WORKER MINIMUM WAGE (Rep. Worrell, Sen. Kennedy)

This legislation would take important steps toward giving these care workers more respect and dignity by establishing enhanced minimum wages. Through the rate regulation processes, this bill would mandate that certain home care agency workers and Chapter 257 human services workers be paid no less than a minimum wage of \$25 per hour (with that floor indexed to inflation).

H.2328/S.1417 ENABLING CITIES AND TOWNS TO STABILIZE RENTS (Reps. Rogers & Montañó, Sen. Jehlen)

The vast majority of our members are facing skyrocketing rents. Unless our Gateway Cities and municipalities in the Greater Boston area can reasonably regulate rent increases as soon as possible, many essential workers will be displaced from their homes. While rent stabilization will not single-handedly solve our housing crisis, it is an essential tool to prevent price gouging and protect tenants.

H.2580/S.1681 THE SAFE COMMUNITIES ACT (Rep. Cruz, Sen. Eldridge)

The Safe Communities Act (SCA) in Massachusetts protects the rights of immigrants and limits state cooperation with immigration enforcement. The SCA aims to ensure that people can access health care, emergency assistance, and protection without fear of detention or deportation.

H.3110/S.2033 CORPORATE FAIR SHARE (Rep. González, Sen. Lewis & Miranda)

Corporate Fair Share would simply increase the share of GILTI that is taxed by Massachusetts from 5% to 50%, bringing us in line with the federal government and other states and raising hundreds of millions of dollars in new annual revenues. This is money the Commonwealth is now leaving on the table.

H.279/S.135 PARITY IN SOCIAL WORK LICENSURE (Rep. O'Day & Sen. Gomez)

State law currently requires individuals to pass an exam in order to receive any level of social work licensure. This exam has not been shown to effectively evaluate someone's ability to provide high quality social work, but is preventing individuals from marginalized communities from being able to provide social work services to those same communities. This bill would follow in the footsteps of other states by eliminating this testing requirement in most cases and provide an alternative pathway to licensure.

H.237/S.162 DIRECT CARE WORKER MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM (MAP) REGISTRY (Rep. Fluker-Reid and Sen. Miranda) This legislation would ensure create a registry of direct care workers that have taken or need to take the Medication Administration Program Test to allow industry groups and employee organizations, like a union, to offer better training and support to pass the test and enter the workforce.

H.3197 AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE FAMILY CHILD CARE SECTOR (Rep. F. Moran) This bill would provide a \$3,300 tax credit, yearly, for family childcare providers to make opening a new program more sustainable. Because of the variety of funding streams that family childcare providers receive from the state to deliver these services they often have very high tax liabilities.

H.2097/S.1331 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RIGHTS OF MASSACHUSETTS EMPLOYEES (Rep. Farley-Bouvier, Sen. Fernandes) This bill would ensure that if a government agency that had previously certified a Union as the official bargaining unit representative of a group of workers would remain their representative under MGL 150a in the event that the previous certifying body gives up jurisdiction.

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Other Supported Bills:

- **H.1954/S.1127** (Sen Gomez, Reps Rogers & F.Moran) An Act Ensuring Access to Equitable Representation in Immigration Proceedings
- **H.1395/S.1822** (Rep. O'Day & Sen. DiDomenico) An Act to provide retirement security to care workers
- **H.2821** (Rep. Farley-Bouvier) An Act to provide pensions to surviving spouses of Department of Children and Families social workers killed in the line of duty
- **H.2928** (Rep. O'Day) An Act relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the department of children and families
- **H.2943** (Rep. Ramos) An Act relative to employment benefits of certain employees of the Department of Developmental Services
- **H.284** (Rep. Scarsdale) An Act improving front-line service coordinators quality of care
- **H.2802** (Rep. Decker) An Act relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the department of mental health
- **H.2815** (Rep. DuBois) An Act relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the department of public health
- **H.2894** (Rep. LeBoeuf) An Act relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the Department of Transitional Assistance and the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities
- **H.2142** (Rep. Livingstone) An Act requiring human service employers to develop and implement programs that prevent workplace violence
- **H.1226** (Rep. Kilcoyne) An Act relative to secure choice retirement savings plan
- **S.722** (Sen. DiDomenico) An Act to encourage retirement planning
- **H.2929** (Rep. O'Day) An Act to ensure fairness in retirement benefits for certain employees of the Department of Correction
- **H.2863** (Rep. Hawkins) An Act to provide certain employees in the department of corrections with line of duty death benefits
- **H.2878** (Rep. Keefe) An Act amending retirement benefits for certain employees of the Parole Board
- **H.2869** (Rep. Holmes) An Act to amend retirement benefits for certain employees of the Department of Youth Services
- **H.2757** (Rep. Biele) An Act to ensure fairness in retirement benefits for institutional teachers

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