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200 - 2221 Cornwall St Regina, SK S4P 2L1 The Honourable Denise Batters Senate of Canada Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A4

Via email:

Dear Senator Batters,

On behalf of the membership of the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to express the Saskatchewan business community's concerns regarding Bills C-58, which seeks to ban the use of replacement workers in federally regulated industries.

Bill C-58 raises serious concerns for Canadian businesses and the millions of workers who rely on the vital services provided by these companies. Shutdowns due to strikes not only risk tarnishing Canada's reputation as a reliable trading partner but also jeopardize the survivability of our small local businesses relying on the sale of shipped goods. These concerns are not new, it is for these reasons that Parliament has repeatedly, and as recently as 2019, made the correct, evidence-based decision to reject legislation banning replacement workers in federally regulated industries.

The Saskatchewan business community urges the Senate to act. We respectfully request that you add your voice to ours and work with your colleagues to stop this flawed bill. Thank you for your support in this critical matter.

Sincerely,

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Prabha Ramaswamy, CEO Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce