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# Minnesota Business Leaders

*A coalition powered by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce along with chambers, associations, and businesses to save the secret ballot.*



*Update: Week of  
June 1*

**MBL Coalition  
Members are taking  
action TODAY to stop  
this misnamed and  
misguided  
legislation.**

The coalition of business organizations is your go to source for EFCA information and updates. Sign up today if you would like to join the fight to save the secret ballot!

Albert Lea-Freeborn County  
Chamber  
Alexandria Lakes Area

## **Card Check featured in the *Faribault Daily News***

Kymn Anderson, president of the **Faribault Area Chamber**, was featured in an article titled "Union Rep Says Law Could Mean New Members." Click [here](#) to view the article from the *Faribault Daily News*.



**If we have missed your organization's efforts - letters,**

Chamber  
 Apple Valley Chamber  
 Austin Area Chamber  
 Brainerd Lakes Chamber  
 Burnsville Chamber  
 Chamber of Commerce of  
 Fargo Moorhead  
 Chamber Grand Forks/East  
 Grand Forks  
 Dakota County Regional  
 Chamber  
 Duluth Area Chamber  
 Eden Prairie Chamber  
 Edina Chamber  
 Elk River Area Chamber  
 Fairmont Area Chamber  
 Faribault Area Chamber  
 Greater Wayzata Area  
 Chamber  
 Grand Rapids Area  
 Chamber  
 Hastings Area Chamber  
 I-94 West Chamber  
 International Falls Area  
 Chamber  
 Lakeville Area Chamber  
 Litchfield Chamber  
 Marshall Area Chamber  
 MetroNorth Chamber  
 Midway Chamber  
 Minneapolis Regional  
 Chamber  
 Minnesota Chamber  
 MN Associated Builders &  
 Contractors  
 MN Automobile Dealers  
 Association  
 MN Beverage Association  
 MN Business Partnership  
 MN Grocers Association  
 MN Lodging Association  
 MN Restaurant Association  
 MN Trucking Association  
 MN Warehouse Association  
 North Hennepin Area  
 Chamber  
 Northfield Area Chamber  
 Owatonna Area Chamber

**newsletter articles, or other pieces of communication - please send them forward so we can recognize your work!**

## From the U.S. Chamber

This ad is running in *Roll Call* and *Politico*, urging Congress to vote against card check (specifically the binding arbitration provision):

**MANDATORY BINDING ARBITRATION TIES UP WORKERS AND JOBS.**

Now that Americans overwhelmingly approve the Employee Free Choice Act, some in Congress want to compromise on workers' rights and jobs by insisting on Mandatory Binding Arbitration. This would give the federal government ultimate authority to set wages and work rules for Main Street businesses if they don't give into union demands.

A recent nationwide survey found that workers support giving government such broad powers over workplaces and appear to distrust workers a vote on their own pay and working conditions. By 1997 Congress started giving authority to workers and has since backtracked of union political pressure in Washington.

**Tell Congress: Don't Compromise on Workers' Rights and Jobs.**

No requirement that arbitrators know anything about the businesses they are dictating to.

Workers lose any say on their own pay and working conditions.

Bureaucratic work rules imposed by an arbitrator are a pain in the neck.

Labor contracts written by an arbitrator tie the hands of workers and managers.

Contracts dictated by an arbitrator will make workers and employers nervous.

Government-decided wages and work rules will bring the economy to its knees.

Workers can't walk away from a government-decided contract for two years.

**Say NO to Card Check "Lite" – NO to Forced Government Arbitration.**

 [www.uschamber.com/wfi](http://www.uschamber.com/wfi)

**For more information:**

<http://www.uschamber.com/wfi/default>

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**Wall Street Journal editorial**

Printing Industry of MN  
Richfield Chamber  
River Heights Chamber  
Rochester Area Chamber  
Saint Paul Area Chamber  
Saint Peter Area Chamber  
SouthWest Metro Chamber  
St. Cloud Area Chamber  
Thief River Falls Chamber  
TwinWest Chamber  
U.S. Chamber  
Waconia Chamber of  
Commerce  
Wahpeton Breckenridge  
Area Chamber  
White Bear Area Chamber  
Willmar Lakes Area  
Chamber  
Winona Area Chamber  
Worthington Area Chamber

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### Communicate with Your Members!

**Many organizations are using the MBL e-newsletter as a regular communications tool by forwarding it on to their interested members. We encourage you to do the same!**

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### Minnesota Business Leaders: Your Go-To Resource

Click [here](#) for a list of the coalition's contacts.

"Big Labor's top legislative priority, 'card check,' might be stalled in the Senate, but that doesn't mean the unions are rolling over. While talk of compromise is in the air, we hope business leaders and Senators stay alert.":

<http://tinyurl.com/ocdx3w>

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## MBL Resource Website

**Have you visited the coalition's new website yet?** <http://www.mnbusinessleaders.com/> is your information source for all things card check. The site has all of the EFCA resources and information you and your members will need. Powered by the U.S. Chamber, you will find links to the Chamber's card check Toolkit, EFCA facts and figures, and all of the latest news on the legislation.

You are receiving this email because you recently joined the Minnesota Business Leaders coalition or you are a chamber or business association in Minnesota that may have interest in becoming active on this issue.

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