PETITION

To the Honourable the President and Members of Senate assembled in Parliament

We, the undersigned people of goodwill, draw to the attention of the Senate our grave concerns about the direction that the Government is taking our nation with its comprehensive changes to the Workplace and Industrial Relations System.

Your petitioners therefore pray that the Senate refer all relevant legislation to a comprehensive Senate Inquiry and Review process that:

- investigates the impact of the changes on and safeguards the rights of the most vulnerable workers and their families: low-income, part-time and casual workers and especially outworkers
- upholds the right of workers to bargain collectively and the right of unions to act as their agents
- accepts and hears submissions from all interested stakeholders in all states and territories
- enquires into the constitutional underpinnings of the proposed legislation
- upholds the principles of fairness and balance for workers and their families in its deliberations and decisions.

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