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New Study Proves Americans Want Secret Ballot Union Elections

Despite the liberal union puppet show, Americans still oppose "Card Check"

Washington, D.C. — Today, the Alliance for Worker Freedom (AWF), a non-partisan organization dedicated to protecting worker freedom, commented on recent polling data which indicates that 79 percent of Americans agree that "every worker should continue to have the right to a federally supervised secret ballot [union] election."

According to AWF policy director Brian Johnson, this is exactly opposite from what the Democrats in Congress have historically pushed. **"In March, 2007, the Democrats in the House pushed for and passed a bill that takes away the right to have a confidential ballot election when voting on union membership. This will give unions the green light to coerce, threaten and intimidate specific workers and their families who voted against the union."** Johnson is referring to H.R. 800, the Employee Free Choice Act, commonly referred to as "Card Check", which passed the house 241-185, but failed a cloture vote in the Senate.

The recent polling data released by American Solutions for Winning the Future, indicates that 77 percent of Republicans, 82 percent of Democrats and 79 percent of Independents, out of 1,000 Americans polled believe in protecting private union ballots.

"Already this campaign season, labor unions have given roughly \$29 million to convince candidates to support their attacks on secret ballots," says Johnson. **"Despite public outcry against Card Check as the data reveals, the left planning on paying back their union buddies – and hope to do so by taking away the workers right to a protected private ballot."**

Several other groups are also opposing Card Check efforts and are taking their fight to the states. **"It is increasingly important that the American workers know that some in Congress are all too willing to compromise workers' safety and rights, to pay back their strongest supporters."**

With private sector unionization at historic lows, around 7.5 percent, Johnson fears the use of violence may force people into union membership. **"When the union boss bangs on your door and ask why you voted against membership, call your local lefty and thank them they didn't stand up for your rights!"**

Alliance for Worker Freedom (AWF) special project of Americans for Tax Reform dedicated to the protection of workers rights.
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