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Mr. F. Darnall Daley
1751 Garfield Ave.
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Dear Mr. Daley:

Thank you for contacting me with your views regarding S. 560 the Employee Free Choice Act. I appreciate hearing from all Pennsylvanians about the issues that matter most to them.

The Employee Free Choice Act proposes changes to the National Labor Relations Act of 1935 that would allow the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) to certify a union when a majority of employees sign authorization cards designating the union as their representative. If instead the employees want to organize by holding an election, it is their choice, and an election will be held.

While I understand that some business owners have concerns about the legislation, I believe that organized workers are important to fueling growth of the middle class. As a cosponsor of the Employee Free Choice Act, I believe this law will help workers raise the standard of living for many families through increased wages and benefits. Furthermore, it will help to ensure that workers have safe work environments and that employers have incentives to invest in their workers. I believe that the right to organize and collectively bargain helped build the American middle class. Our economy's future success depends upon the skill, productivity and ingenuity of the American worker, and I will fight to give those workers the tools and protections necessary to succeed in the workplace.

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me. Please do not hesitate to contact me in the future about this or any other matter of importance to you.

If you have access to the Internet, I encourage you to visit my web site, <http://casey.senate.gov>. I invite you to use this new online office as a comprehensive resource to stay up-to-date on my work in Washington, request assistance from my office or share with me your thoughts on the issues that matter most to you and to Pennsylvania.

Sincerely,



Robert P. Casey, Jr.
United States Senator