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TO: Minnesota AFSCME Local Leadership

FROM: Judy Wahlberg, President, AFSCME Council 5

RE: **AFSCME 2017 Day on the Hill – Tuesday, March 28, 2017**

With an expanded Republican majority in the Minnesota House and a single-vote majority in the State Senate, our Day on the Hill provides us a critical opportunity to stand strong for the services we provide and for the dignity of our work, our families, and our neighbors.

Bad bills led the start of the session, from an ALEC bill to stop local governments from raising their minimum wage, to health care cuts, attacks on collective bargaining, public workers' right to communicate, voting rights, and our pensions – *all while proposing tax cuts for the richest Minnesotans.*

We have to stand up to these attacks and build toward a better Minnesota – through support local government aid, comprehensive transportation funding, safe staffing, resources for colleges, universities, and child protection, ending the conversation about opening a private prison in Minnesota once and for all, and securing paid parental leave.

With your local attendance at our union's Day on the Hill we will call on the legislature to stop the attacks and work toward progress.

We will start the day at the **Saint Paul RiverCentre** on Kellogg Boulevard in St. Paul with a session to give you and your membership information on how, what, where, and whom to lobby. After talking with legislators, we will return to the RiverCentre to debrief our conversations with legislators and reception.

Please complete the enclosed pre-registration form and return it to:

Deb Smith  
AFSCME Council 5  
300 Hardman Avenue South  
South St. Paul, MN 55075  
Or fax it to her at (651) 455-1311

**PLEASE SEND IN THE ENCLOSED PRE-REGISTRATION FORM POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 17<sup>th</sup>. A \$20.00 PER PERSON PAYMENT TO AFSCME COUNCIL 5 IS REQUIRED.**

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**ALL LOCALS THAT SEND A PRE-REGISTRATION FORM POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A PRIZE DRAWING OF \$100.**

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS, MONEY ORDERS OR CASHIER'S CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
AFSCME COUNCIL 5**

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

**LOCAL UNION CHECKS OR BUSINESS CHECKS CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR PAYMENTS TO AFSCME COUNCIL 5. PLEASE SEND CHECKS, MONEY ORDERS OR CASHIER'S CHECKS ONLY, ALONG WITH THE REGISTRATION FORM. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH BY MAIL.**

Please contact Deb Smith at (651) 287-0543 for any of the following:

- **"LOCAL PAY" or "MEMBER PAY"**: Please let us know your local's preference; see the enclosed flyer for more details.
- **BUS**: If your local is bringing a bus the local may be eligible for partial reimbursement (up to \$150 per bus) for bus charter costs.
- **WORKSHOP** An opportunity to join the legislative team and pick up some new skills on how to lobby your legislator on the issues that matter most.
- **VOLUNTEERS**: DOTH is put on and run by members - we can always use your and your members' help.

We hope to see you at DOTH!

P.S. This letter and all the accompanying materials are posted on the AFSCME Minnesota Council 5 website at [www.afscmemn.org](http://www.afscmemn.org). You can also register on-line at [www.afscmemn.org](http://www.afscmemn.org).

Interpreters will be provided **only upon request**. If you need an interpreter or any other reasonable accommodation in order to make it possible for you or your members to participate in DOTH activities, please notify Deb Smith at (651) 287-0543 or [deb.smith@afscmemn.org](mailto:deb.smith@afscmemn.org) **by Thursday, February 28, 2017**.

**AFSCME COUNCIL 5**  
**2017 AFSCME DAY ON THE HILL AGENDA**

**DATE:** TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017

**TIME:** 7:30 AM – 7:00 PM

**PLACE:** Saint Paul RiverCentre  
175 West Kellogg Boulevard, St. Paul

**EVENTS:** 7:30-10 AM Registration & Coffee

8:00 - 9:00 AM Lobbying Skills Workshop  
9:30 - 10:15 AM General Session  
10:30 – 11:00 AM Break Out Sessions  
11:00 AM Lunch (*Box lunches will be provided*)  
11:30 – 3:30 PM Capitol Lobbying  
3:45 – 4:15 PM Rotunda Rally  
5:00 - 7:00 PM Reception

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The registration form should be returned postmarked no later than  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2017.**  
All locals that register before March 17<sup>th</sup> will be eligible for a prize drawing of \$100!

**OR:**

REGISTER ON-LINE AT [WWW.AFSCMEMN.ORG](http://WWW.AFSCMEMN.ORG)

**A \$20 per person payment to AFSCME Council 5 is required.**

Please make checks, money orders or cashier's checks payable to: AFSCME COUNCIL 5.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

**Local union checks or business checks can be accepted for payments to AFSCME COUNCIL 5.** Please send checks, money orders or cashier's checks only, along with the registration form. Please do not send cash by mail.

Completion and return of the registration form is essential so that we may have sufficient materials and box lunches available for those in attendance.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY  
THE FOLLOWING WILL ATTEND THE AFSCME C5 DAY ON THE HILL

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017  
LOCAL \_\_\_\_\_

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RETURN NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2017

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\* If you are unsure of legislative district, type member's address into the MN Secretary of State's poll finder webpage at <http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/>

## Day on the Hill (DOTH), Tuesday, March 28, 2017

### DOTH Registration - “Local Pay” or “Member Pay”

Please let us know by March 20, 2017 whether or not your local is paying for your members' required \$20 DOTH registration fee.

You can call or email Deb Smith at 651-287-0543 or [deb.smith@afscmemn.org](mailto:deb.smith@afscmemn.org) and indicate if your local is paying for its attendees “Local Pay” or if your members are paying themselves individually “Member Pay.” If you do not let us know by March 20<sup>th</sup> that your local is paying for its members then your members will be individually charged the required \$20 DOTH registration fee. If you are electing to be “Local Pay” this would be for all attendees that are employees under your local. Spouses and guests would be on their own unless specified by the local prior to March 20<sup>th</sup>.

We are unable to administer a cap (Example: if the local wanted to pay for a maximum number of 10 registrants). In those cases it is best if all members pay their own way “Member Pay” and the local reimburses the members for their registration directly.

If you are registering your local as a group it is also helpful if you sign up for “Local Pay” and send in the pre-registration list as soon as possible. **If you have indicated “Local Pay” your local will receive an invoice following DOTH at a minimum for the number of folks who pre-register and the total number of attendees over and above the count.** The minimum count of those pre-registered is important as we use those counts to ensure we have enough materials and lunch available. If there are attendees not coming and replacements are sent this will be all worked out before the billing is sent. Examples:

- If you pre-register 10 people, 8 of the pre-registered 10 show and 3 additional people come in their place and register day of, then you will be invoiced for 11.
- If you pre-register 10 people, and only 9 show, you will still be invoiced for 10 as we planned on 10 for materials and lunch.
- If you pre-register 10 people, all 10 show plus 3 additional register the day of, then you will be invoiced for 13.

If you would like a list of those in your local that have already registered, please email Deb at [deb.smith@afscmemn.org](mailto:deb.smith@afscmemn.org) and she will send you a list.