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Proposals are assault on working families and their rights

Two legislators' proposed changes to state labor laws affecting local government employees, including teachers, are nothing more than an attack on working families and their right to bargain fair compensation, according to WEAC President Stan Johnson.

"This is a thinly veiled attempt to erode the rights of the people who keep our communities strong," Johnson said. "The proposals from Sen. Ron Brown and Rep. Mark Gottlieb would remove rights that workers have earned over the years. Politicians should treat employees fairly instead of punishing them."

Johnson said local employees are not the cause of the state's economic problems.

"This proposal attempts to make scapegoats of the thousands of dedicated local government employees throughout Wisconsin," Johnson said. "This plan does nothing to improve our economy. It will not solve the health care cost crisis or balance any budgets. It punishes the wrong people for the state's problems."

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