



BC's Union for Professionals

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Labour Relations Code Review Committee (Section 3 Committee)
Ministry of Labour

Dear Committee Members,

The Professional Employees Association (PEA) is a trade union representing more than 2600 professionals in BC. The PEA supports the BC Federation of Labour Submission to the *Labour Relations Code* Review Committee Regarding Proposed Changes to the *BC Labour Relations Code*.

We believe that leveling the playing field between workers and employers requires changes to the *BC Labour Relations Code* as put forth in the BC Federation of Labour submission. In particular, the PEA would recommend “card check” as opposed to the two stage process currently in the *Code*. As well, our members working for the province of BC have been dramatically impacted by job cuts and reduced budgets. The PEA supports the provision of additional resources so the Labour Relations Board can ensure the administration of the *Labour Relations Code* is not unduly hampered from a lack of staff and other supports.

We are hopeful that the Section 3 Committee will make a series of recommendations supporting matters raised by the BC Federation of Labour and as a result, will enable a more fair environment for workers in BC. There is no question, that working people in BC will be better served as a result.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Scott McCannell', with several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Scott McCannell
Executive Director