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Jordon Jackle Announcer:

Well earlier we mentioned a protest involving construction workers at the provincial legislature today. The CBC's Stefani Langenegger has been keeping us updated since things started developing at 9:00 this morning. She joins me now. Stefani last hour you told us that the workers were taking a tour of the legislature to pass the time, what's happening right now?

Stefani Langenegger Reporter:

They've mostly left the building. They were just addressed by the man who was giving the presentation on their behalf. And the committee, they wanted to get into that committee room first, they weren't allowed in the committee room, then they decided to take a tour en mass, about two hundred of them toured the legislature and then one of them said that they were told that the police would be called so they left the legislature.

Jordon Jackle:

Now why is this bill causing so much concern?

Stefani Langenegger:

Well according to the workers who came here they feel that this bill will sort of water down the specialization that they have. For instance right now if you're a carpenter, you are in a particular union. If you're a plumber you're in a different union and those unions negotiate for all plumbers or all carpenters all across the province all at once. This would allow other unions to come in and to negotiate on a worksite for all workers, so plumbers would be in with carpenters, they would all be negotiating together. And the workers feel as though this will water down the specialization, the years they've spent building up that specialization. They think that this will hurt their livelihood.

Jordon Jackle:

Thanks Stefani. The CBC's Stefani Langenegger is the legislative reporter.