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Opponents to Bill 80 Present Petitions to MLA Hickie

Saskatchewan trades people and others opposed to Bill 80 today presented a petition signed by 1,000 people to the government of Saskatchewan at a rally outside of the constituency office of MLA Darryl Hickie.

“We are here today to make sure that the government has heard the voices of the many Saskatchewan men and women opposed to Bill 80,” said Terry Parker, Business Manager for the Saskatchewan Building Trades. “Our construction industry is booming and it’s been strike free for 17 years. We’re here today to tell the government **If It Ain’t Broke, Don’t Fix It.**”

By the government’s own admission, the construction sector in Saskatchewan is hotter than it has ever been. 2008’s \$9.8 billion in new construction investments was more than double the amount in 2004.

“For some reason, politicians want to mess with success,” said Parker. “Bill 80 will destabilize the construction industry, take money from Saskatchewan workers and contractors, and send it out-of-province”

The Saskatchewan Building Trades have held public meetings in Regina, Saskatoon and Esterhazy and Estevan. More are planned.

“Construction workers in Saskatchewan didn’t ask for this legislation and don’t want it. In fact, I don’t know of a single tradesperson or apprentice that supports Bill 80,” said Parker. “We’re challenging Darryl Hickie to find a single tradesperson in Saskatchewan that supports Bill 80.”

“Bill 80 will mean lower wages for workers and more Saskatchewan construction work going to out of province contractors,” said Parker. “We think if Saskatchewan people understand Bill 80 then politicians will be forced to do what is best for Saskatchewan and withdraw it.”

To send a message to your MLA, learn more, see our advertisements, sign our petition or join our facebook site go to www.SayNoToBill80.ca

The rally will take place at 12 Noon at the Constituency office of Darryl Hickie, MLA for Prince Albert Carlton #4 – 3401 Sherman Dr., Prince Albert.

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