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**To: State of Illinois Local 705 Bargaining Unit Employees**

**Re: Rauner Administration Janus v. AFSCME Memo**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you may have heard, on June 27, 2018, the United States Supreme Court ruled against working families and against 40 years of established law in its *Janus v. AFSCME* Council 31 ruling. Rauner, and other Anti-Union Powers behind the lawsuit, are using this ruling to limit your voice and your ability to bargain collectively over fair wages, hours and working conditions by attempting to weaken your Union.

On June 27, 2018, you may have received a memo via the state email system from the Rauner Administration claiming to interpret the "*Janus*" case. As you may know, the *Janus* case actually originated with Bruce Rauner himself, and he was on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court on June 27<sup>th</sup> to claim credit for the outcome.

The misleading memo sent out by Rauner aide Tim McDevitt is actually an attempt to further the agenda that Bruce Rauner has had since Day One, which is to weaken all unions in state government. But for more than three years, our union and others have been fighting and winning against his anti-union agenda across the state.

In other words, Rauner failed to break the unions in State government, just as he has failed miserably at managing our state. It is no wonder that Rauner's administration has now set up a special website to attempt to persuade employees to abandon their union.

Here are the facts:

- You do **NOT** need to use the Anti-Union website that the Rauner Administration has set up.
- CMS will automatically stop deduction of fees from fair share fee payers.
- Union members do **NOT** need to go to the new CMS website and sign up again. By signing a union membership card, whether that was last month or twenty years ago, you have already "opted in" to being a union member. CMS provides the union with a list of all members every month based on the submission of those cards.
- If you have questions about your membership status or want to change your membership status, *which we certainly hope you won't*, please contact the **Local 705 Dues Department at 312-738-2800**.

The recent message from the Rauner Administration is part of Bruce Rauner's longstanding effort to divide us and, conquer your union. Let's make sure that doesn't happen. By being a dues-paying member, you are doing a great service to yourself, your family, and your community, and you don't have to do anything else today.

Let's send a strong message to Bruce Rauner that our Union members stand together and stand strong! Let's show Rauner that he will **never** break or weaken **our** Union, and we will continue to **fight** for fair wages, job security and fair working conditions across the board!

In Solidarity,

**Teamsters Local Union No. 705  
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P.S. Unlike Bruce Rauner, the Union is not permitted to use the state email system to discuss the meaning of the Janus case. So please share this message via personal email or hard copy print out with your co-workers.