



## 2012 GOP PRESIDENTIAL HOPEFULS ATTACK WORKING FAMILIES AND THE UNIONS THAT REPRESENT THEM

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### **Romney: Critical to Support Wisconsin's Fight "to Rein in Out-Of-Control Public Employee Pay and Benefits"**

"Liberal big government interests are fighting efforts to **rein in out-of-control public employee pay and benefits** in Wisconsin. It is critical that we stand with the Wisconsin GOP as it stands up for the rights of the taxpayer."

*—Mitt Romney on supporting Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker's anti-union agenda, 2/24/11*



### **Perry: We "Aren't Going to Back Down" From Support of Scott Walker**

"Republican governors aren't going to back down from our support of Scott Walker and what he's doing to make the tough decisions in his state to balance the budget."

*—Rick Perry on supporting Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker's efforts to curb collective bargaining, 2/28/11*

### **Gingrich: Public Employee Unions Create Inefficiencies and Protect Mediocrity**

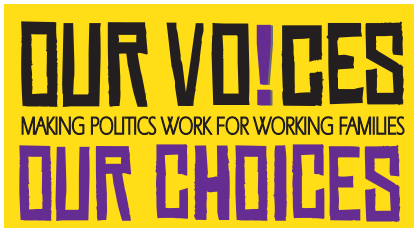
"The worst thing about the way the government employee unions operate is that **they create work rules and inefficiencies and protection of mediocrity** and blocking effective management."

*—Newt Gingrich on FOX News' "On the Record with Greta Van Susteren," 2/24/11*



### **Gingrich: Union-Busting Is the Cure For High Unemployment**

"I hope that New Hampshire does adopt 'right-to-work.' I frankly keep it at the state level because as each new state becomes 'right-to-work,' they send a signal to the remaining states, don't be stupid. ... **the 'right-to-work' states are creating a lot more jobs today than the heavily unionized states.**"



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## **Bachmann Called Legislation to Prevent Teacher Layoffs a Union “Payoff”**

“Now these **public employee unions have received their \$26 billion payoff**; now they’re going to skim the top of the public union dues off the top, put it in political action coffers and then use it to run these Democrat re-election campaigns and to go after Republicans. So think of how outrageous this is.”

*–Michele Bachmann, after voting against a \$26 billion bill to provide state aid and save teachers’ jobs, 8/10/10*



## **Bachmann Said Wisconsin Educators Neglected Children “So They Can Make More Money”**

“We’re now on Day 3 of Wisconsin teachers leaving their posts and leaving the children that they are tasked to serve and not teaching them **so that they can go out and protest so they can make more money**. This is beyond conscionable.”

*–Michele Bachmann on supporting Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker’s anti-union agenda, 2/22/11*

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## **Huntsman: “Benefits of ‘Right-to-Work’ Legislation Are So Evident”**

“Right-to-work’ legislation shouldn’t generate controversy. The law would protect a worker’s basic right to freedom of association by preventing individuals from being forced to give part of their pay-check to a union for the privilege of going to work ... **The benefits of ‘right-to-work’ legislation are so evident.**”

*–Jon Huntsman on his support for New Hampshire’s anti-union proposal, 8/12/11*