

STATEMENT OF SENATOR STROM THURMOND (D-SC) ON INTRODUCTION OF
NEW SECTION 306 TO NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT ON FLOOR OF
SENATE, MAY 8, 1958.

Mr. President, numerous bills have been introduced for the purpose of establishing Democracy in Unions/and to insure that the individual employee is protected. I send to the desk for appropriate reference/a bill which would give to employees a right which employers now enjoy, but which right is now withheld from employees.

Under the provisions of Section 303 of the National Labor Relations Act, employers are given the right to bring a suit against a labor organization for damages/occasioned by those unfair labor practices designated in that section. The bill which I introduce would permit the individual employee to sue for loss of wages or compensation/resulting from an unfair labor practice.

Too long has the Congress thought only in terms of the employer/and the labor organization. The individual employee must also be protected/by having a right to his day in court.

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