

Stop Thom Tillis!

Thom Tillis, the speaker of the house in the North Carolina legislature, has done tremendous harm to our state with a corporate-funded anti-worker, anti-voting rights, anti-education agenda. Now Thom Tillis is running for the U.S. Senate, hoping to impose these policies on the entire country.

Thom Tillis is trying to put anti-worker laws into our state constitution. We already have terrible anti-labor laws in North Carolina. These include so-called “right-to-work,” which makes unions weak to keep wages down; and the ban on public employee collective bargaining. Tillis, Gov. McCrory and their corporate backers want to put these laws into the constitution to make it harder to get rid of them in the future.

The Thom Tillis legislature attacked laid off workers, slashing unemployment compensation to a maximum of 14 weeks. North Carolina now treats unemployed workers worse than any other state.

Tillis led the push for what’s been called “the worst anti-voter law in the country.” This law, currently being challenged in court, requires voters to show specific forms of photo ID which more than 300,000 registered voters do not have. It eliminates election day voter registration, cuts the early voting period by seven days, and eliminates pre-registration of 16 and 17 year olds. The law contains more than a dozen other provisions, all aimed to make it harder to vote.

Tillis and the right-wing legislative majority he leads cut \$480 million in education. The cuts have left classrooms more crowded and short on teaching materials. He cut teacher pay and seniority rights. North Carolina ranks near the bottom among states in support for public schools. Now Tillis promises that if he gets to the U.S. Senate, he’ll push to cut federal funding for schools.

North Carolinians have been fighting back against these attacks on human rights through the massive Moral Mondays mobilization, in which UE 150 has been involved from the start. The attack on voting rights has a shameful legacy in the South. Like the segregationists of the Jim Crow era, Tillis and his allies hope to hold power by keeping people away from the ballot box. But we still have the right to vote, and we must exercise that right on November 4 to stop Thom Tillis.



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