## WE WILL PROTECT OUR SICK LEAVE

The federal government announced in the budget that it plans to eliminate the existing sick leave provisions for federal public service workers, whether or not an agreement is reached at the bargaining table.

All PSAC members should know that our union will not be intimidated by this threat. Any move by the government to make unilateral changes to our collective agreement is a violation of our constitutional Charter rights to bargain collectively without government interference.

## We will vigorously defend our sick leave. Our members have said it must be our top priority.

Over the next few weeks, we will be consulting with you to determine what actions we will take. We will start at the union's national convention where more than 700 leaders will be meeting.

The government's "go to work sick" plan is a step in the wrong direction. The Parliamentary Budget Officer and Statistics Canada have refuted all claims by this government that sick leave is a burden on Canadians. On the contrary – it is essential to maintain a healthy workplace and quality public services.

Please go to psacunion.ca for more information about the budget.

Sign up on the website to receive updates on the situation by email.

With your support, we can defend our rights.

In solidarity,

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