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The *Local 876 Bulletin* is a bimonthly publication of UFCW Local 876, designed to give members a quick update of union news and notice of upcoming events. The flyer is distributed at the workplace by union representatives and is also available on-line at [www.ufcw876.org](http://www.ufcw876.org). If you would like to receive an e-mail copy of future *Bulletins* during the first week of publication, call the Local 876 Public Relations Department at 1-800-321-6406.

## Repeal of Item Pricing Quickly Advancing to Governor

House Bill 4158, which would repeal Michigan's Item Pricing Law, is moving quickly through the state legislature and is expected to arrive on the governor's desk shortly.

"As expected, the Republicans are moving quickly on the repeal of item pricing," Roger Robinson, Local 876's president, said. "They are eager to satisfy their corporate friends in retailing, despite the fact most Michiganders favor keeping the law which requires stores to put individual price stickers on most items."

The Detroit Free Press reported a recent poll by EPIC/MRI showed only 39 percent of voters want item pricing repealed.

"Consumers like having price tags on items so they can comparison shop and make sure they are properly charged at check-out," Robinson said. "Plus, item pricing means jobs for retail workers. We expect approximately 800 UFCW members to lose their jobs if item pricing is repealed. The Hood Research Group released a study estimating between 60,000 and 100,000 Michigan workers will lose their jobs if HB 4158 is passed. Republicans ran on a jobs platform, yet one of their first acts is to try to pass a

### Tell Governor Snyder to Keep Item Pricing

- Call the governor's office at 517-373-3400.
- Urge him to support consumers and workers who want to keep item pricing.
- Tell him without price tags on items you won't be able to comparison shop or protect yourself from overcharges.
- Tell him how thousands of workers, (including yourself if applicable) will have their hours cut or lose their jobs if item pricing is repealed.

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law that cost thousands of Michigan workers their jobs."

Local 876 members are encouraged to call Governor Snyder and ask him to reconsider his position on item pricing before he signs its repeal into law.

"If the Governor hears from enough of his constituents he may decide to act on behalf of the people of Michigan, not the retailers in Michigan," Robinson said.

If item pricing is repealed, Local 876 is committed to ensuring employers make good on their word that no members will lose their jobs or have their hours reduced by the change in pricing requirements.

## UFCW Michigan Spring Celebration

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Local 876 Union Hall

\$2 All Ages\*

\*donated to a food pantry



Join your union for a fun-filled family event including; hot dogs, drinks and treats; children's crafts, games and other activities; photos with the Easter Bunny and adult and children's door prizes.

Tickets for this event are limited, no tickets will be sold at the door.

Tickets are available from your Union Representative and the Union office

## Get in on the Action! Greektown Casino Bus Trips

UFCW Michigan is offering members and a guest the opportunity to participate in bus trips to Detroit's Greektown Casino for only \$10 per person. The \$10 UFCW ticket includes round-trip bus transportation to the casino from the locations listed below and \$20 in casino cash.

Event Date	Bus Departure Locations	Registration Deadline
March 23	Jackson & Ypsilanti	March 14, 2011
March 30	Saginaw & Flint	March 21, 2011

Registration forms are available at [www.ufcw876.org](http://www.ufcw876.org), on your union bulletin board, and from union representatives. For more information call 1-800-321-6406, ext. 8653.

## Local 876 Scholarship Deadline March 31, 2011

Members and their eligible dependents are reminded to submit their 2011 Local 876 Scholarship applications by March 31, 2011 to be considered for one of five \$2,000 scholarships to be awarded by the local this Spring.

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