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REPRESENTING ONTARIO BEER WORKERS SINCE 1948

AFFILIATED WITH THE CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS AND THE ONTARIO FEDERATION OF LABOUR

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Re: The real facts about beer and retail jobs in Ontario

The Retail Council study was paid for by big business looking to shift sales and terminate the Beer Store and the jobs of 7,000 hard-working Ontario men and women who work there.

The government's plan to sell beer in corner stores puts these good middle-class jobs and the families and communities they support at risk and will not create good jobs to replace them. The stats show that when beer was added to Ontario grocery stores it did not create extra jobs or more beer sales in the province.

So, the plan to expand beer sales to corner stores is a job-killer.

It could also impact public safety when some of these stores turn a blind eye to refusing underage or intoxicated customers. The plan will also destroy one of the world's most successful recycling systems.

These are all real costs to the community that the big business Retail Council study doesn't bother mentioning.

Sincerely,

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