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Statement from Senator Jerry Petrowski on "Right to Work":

I have consistently stated in debates, public forums and interviews over the past two election cycles that I would not be supportive of making Wisconsin a *Right to Work* state, and I am keeping my word.

Both sides in the debate have provided economic analysis to support their arguments, but none are definitive as to what actually causes the differences among the economies of different states. I am not convinced that the supposed benefits of passing this bill will materialize and offset a potentially disruptive impact on our economy.

I'm a Ronald Reagan Republican, and like President Reagan I was a union member for many years. Under the law as it stands, unions are formed by a majority vote and everyone gets to choose where they work.

“Collective bargaining in the years since has played a major role in America’s economic miracle. Unions represent some of the freest institutions in this land. There are few finer examples of participatory democracy to be found anywhere. Too often, discussion about the labor movement concentrates on disputes, corruption, and strikes. But while these things are headlines, there are thousands of good agreements reached and put into practice every year without a hitch.”~ [Ronald Reagan](#), 1981

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