

Hypocritical – To Say The Least

Senator Johnny Isakson of Georgia thinks the National Mediation Board is giving the upper hand to airline workers by changing long standing rules for representation elections. He believes allowing only those who vote to decide whether an airline is unionized is a bad thing.

According to political commentator and columnist, Jim Hightower, the Georgia Senator has called the proposed rule change “an assault on employee rights.” Hightower says this is not surprising considering Delta was his #1 contributor in the last election.

Isakson is so upset about the rule change that he plans to introduce a “resolution of disapproval” into the Senate to block the rule change from taking effect. This defender of workers rights will stop at nothing to protect us from ourselves.

What makes all of this so curious is that if the old rules were applied to Isakson’s recent election victory, he would not have been elected or certified the winner in Georgia. In the past, in airline elections, a majority of all those eligible to vote must actually cast a ballot. If they didn’t, then the status quo remained and the union lost.

Jim Hightower says that 8.6 million people are eligible to vote in a Senatorial election in Georgia. Let’s do the math- 8.6 million eligible voters

**1.8 million voted for Isakson
1.3 million voted for opponent
3.1 million actually voted**

**28% of eligible voters actually voted.
79% voted against Isakson or not at all.**

Using the rules Senator Isakson is so intent on keeping would have meant that Isakson could not have taken office. Under the old

rules 50% plus 1 must actually vote for an election to be valid.

We have one word for this kind of politically motivated double standard – HYPOCRISY.

Call your senators and tell them you do not support Senator Isakson’s “resolution of disapproval” in regard to the NMB rule change.

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