MEMORANDUM

To: All Local Union Presidents;

Executive Board; Full-Time Staff;

Central Labor Council Presidents; Constituency Group Presidents

From: James Andrews, President;

MaryBe McMillan, Secretary-Treasurer

Subject: 2011 Legislative Conference

Date: Friday, January 07, 2011

Our 2011 Legislative Conference will be held at the Sheraton Raleigh Hotel, 421 S. Salisbury St, Raleigh, NC on **February 8-9, 2011**. This conference is both an education forum and a lobbying opportunity for your membership.

The 2010 election resulted in a Republican takeover of the North Carolina General Assembly.

At our 2011 Legislative Conference, we will discuss how to get and keep issues important to working families on the agenda of the incoming Republican majority. Our top priorities will be creating jobs at good wages, protecting our workers' compensation system, extending unemployment benefits, fighting any effort to roll back opportunities for all children to receive a sound education, fighting major cuts in essential services, and protecting your right to a safe and healthy workplace.

In order to protect the gains we have made over the years, we must be able to show strength in our ability to mobilize our members around our issues and communicate a clear commitment to fight for all workers. That is why it is so important you and your members show up in big numbers at our 2011 Legislative Conference.

Hotel Reservations

Participants needing overnight accommodations should contact the Sheraton at **1-800-325-3535 no later than Friday, January 7 14, 2011** and ask for the AFL-CIO group rate (\$139.00 plus hotel tax). Guests residing at the hotel will receive a free parking pass. Parking passes for non-residing hotel guests are available for \$10.00 per day.

Schedule & Fees

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday (2/08). We will convene at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday and adjourn at 12 noon on Wednesday (2/09). Registration fees are \$75 for delegates (includes reception and banquet) and \$50 for guests attending the banquet only.

Fees should be made payable to the NC State AFL-CIO. Registration forms should be filled in and mailed back to us not later than Friday, January 28, 2011. Make copies if you need additional forms.

ENCLOSED: flyer, registration form