

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Federal Trade Commission WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

**January 31, 2025** 

Statement Regarding Request for Public Comment Re: Protecting Workers from Illegal Business Practices

The following Request for Public Comment Regarding Protecting Workers from Illegal Business Practices was issued by the Commission on January 17, 2025 with a public docket for comments opened at <a href="https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FTC-2025-0008">https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FTC-2025-0008</a>. However, the document was subsequently withdrawn by Chair Ferguson on January 22, 2025, and the docket was rendered closed for further comments.

To ensure these important lines of inquiry remain available to the public, I am making available the document in its original form as an attachment below.

## Request for Public Comments Regarding Protecting Workers from Illegal Business Practices

In recent years the FTC has been highly focused on protecting workers from unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive practices, including unlawful noncompetes, no-poach clauses, and illegal mergers.

The FTC now invites public comments on the following question:

Which business practices should the FTC focus on addressing in the coming years to protect workers from lawbreaking companies?

## **Instructions for submitting:**

- 1. Go to the docket on regulations.gov
- 2. Click "Browse Documents"
- 3. Underneath the document containing the RFI questions, click comment (the blue button)
- 4. Fill out the form which requires:
  - 4.1. The comment text itself
  - 4.2.The comment category
- 5. You can submit as: an individual, an organization, or anonymous
  - 5.1.Optional: Attachments to aid your response. You can attach up to 20 files, but each file cannot exceed 10MB. Valid file types include: bmp, docx, gif, jpg, jpeg, pdf, png, pptx, rtf, sgml, tif, tiff, txt, wpd, xlsx, xml.

Comments must be received no later than Thursday, April 17, 2025 by 11:59pm ET.

Please DO NOT include sensitive or confidential information in the comments including:

- social security numbers;
- dates of birth;
- driver's license numbers or other state identification numbers;
- financial account information;
- sensitive health information; or
- competitively sensitive information.

Comments will be posted on the Internet and made available to the public (subject to exceptions such as for personal privacy information of persons other than the submitter).