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Teachers job action: what it means for HSA members services

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Last night, teachers across the province voted overwhelmingly to take a stand against Bill 12, the Liberal act aimed at ending the limited job action undertaken by the B.C. Teachers Federation to put pressure on government to negotiate a collective agreement.

The legislation, which is still being debated in the Legislature, rolls over the current collective agreement to June 30, 2006. By then, teachers will have been working four-and-a-half years under imposed terms and conditions of employment.

B.C. Teachers are taking a stand against the legislated contract extension and voted by over 90 per cent to withdraw their services tomorrow, Friday, October 7, at all B.C. schools.

While the schools will be behind picket lines, arrangements are being made to ensure daycares and Child Development Centres housed on school property where HSA members work continue to operate. HSA members whose place of work is normally on school property are asked to contact their steward for information on what arrangements are in place.

HSA members who are not based on school property, but deliver school-based programs on school property, are advised not to cross any picket line they may encounter. If you do encounter a picket line where you are scheduled to work, you are asked to return to your home base and perform administrative duties or see clients in your office.

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