



### 5 Schools Needed + 1 PLA = 4 Schools Completed

Government-mandated project labor agreements needlessly increase the cost of taxpayer-funded construction projects **by 12% to 20%**, meaning fewer construction projects or more cuts to other programs — and less job creation.



**\$1 Billion in Construction Spending**



**3,550 Construction Jobs**

Government-mandated project labor agreement schemes stifle construction industry job creation by wasting taxpayer dollars, resulting in fewer infrastructure improvements and new construction projects.



Government-mandated project labor agreements exclude nearly 9 out of 10 local construction workers, including women, minorities and veterans, solely because they do not belong to a union.

**89.3% of the U.S. construction industry does not belong to a union.**

### PLAs = Local Wage Theft

Government-mandated project labor agreements steal roughly 34% of wages and benefits from workers on a PLA project if they don't join a union.



Visit [BuildAmericaLocal.com](http://BuildAmericaLocal.com) to contact your federal lawmakers and President Biden and tell them you oppose government-mandated PLAs on federal and federally assisted construction projects. Ask them to support the Fair and Open Competition Act (S. 537 and H.R. 1209) today.

## Government-Mandated Project Labor Agreements Exacerbate the Skilled Workforce Shortage.



The U.S. construction industry is short more than half a million workers already.

There have been an average of **14 construction industry strikes per year** in the last decade

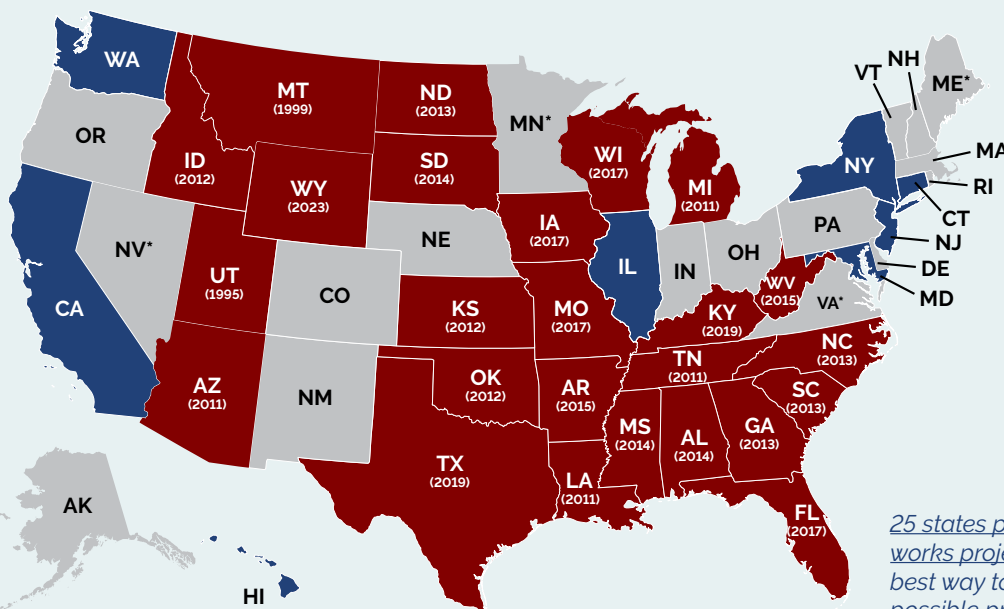
100% of those strikes were **started by PLA advocates**

Government-mandated project labor agreements: **An extortionary solution in search of a problem**



## Do PLAs Keep Workers Safe?

There is no evidence that project labor agreement schemes lead to safer jobsites. Construction activity in states that ban PLA mandates are 46% safer than in states that favor government-mandated PLAs, according to government safety data.



## 25 STATES ENSURE FAIR AND OPEN COMPETITION ON TAXPAYER-FUNDED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

- = Ensure fair and open competition on taxpayer-funded construction projects.
- = Encourage government-mandated PLAs on taxpayer-funded construction projects.

\* = State fair and open competition measures repealed.

Date in parenthesis is year fair and open competition law enacted.

*25 states prohibit government-mandated PLAs on public works projects because fair and open competition is the best way to deliver quality construction projects at the best possible price.*

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## Competition is CONSTRUCTIVE

Taxpayers deserve more efficient and effective policies that will encourage all qualified contractors and their skilled workforce to compete to build long-lasting, quality projects at the best price.

## REBUILD AMERICA WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL



*We need all of America's construction workforce, 8.1 million-plus strong, to rebuild America—not just the 11% of construction workers who belong to a union.*

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