

RESOLUTION ON
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT ACT 2005
(BCII) AND
AUSTRALIAN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION COMMISSIONER (ABCC)

This meeting of building and construction workers at the[insert workplace].....calls on the Federal Labor Government to **IMMEDIATELY** repeal the BCII Act, to disband the ABCC and to ensure that construction workers are treated equally under any future law.

Construction workers have been unfairly singled out because of special laws introduced by the former Howard Government almost 3 years ago applying only in our industry. These laws have been used by the ABCC to target unions and workers for standing up for their rights at work.

We believe that repressive laws like these have no place in Australian society, that no Australian citizen should be forced to answer questions relating to industrial issues or discussions held at union meetings under threat of fines and/or jail.

If any worker or union official is jailed under these laws we call on our unions to organise a national response.

This meeting rejects the fines against unions and workers set out in these laws for exercising their democratic right to withdraw labour or take other forms of industrial action. We are concerned that the laws are being used to restrict union organisation and drive down safety standards in our industry.

The ALP Government was elected to rid Australian workplaces of unfair industrial laws and they should move to do that without any further delay.