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Teamsters Live in a Separate Universe

Minnesota Teamsters are upset with a proposed contract. Union workers are on strike because a company wants to triple their out-of-pocket costs. You might think this is outrageous, until you hear the specifics.

The union members currently pay zero premiums. Nothing. This company wants them to pay what non-union workers pay: $15 per pay period for a single plan with a $300 deductible—by the third year of the contract, mind you. For a family plan the cost would be $45 per pay period with a $600 deductible. They are striking because they want to pay nothing for coverage. Clearly the Teamsters live in a separate universe from the rest of us.