



Labor historian Bob Korstad on “why I chose to be arrested”

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On May 6, Bob Korstad joined civil rights activists, [2 former presidents of the Organization of American Historians](#) and other concerned citizens to protest the North Carolina legislature moves including denial of and restrictions on health care access, curtailing of unemployment benefits; restrictions on the right to vote; tax reductions for the rich. See Korstad’s powerful statement [here](#):

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