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The NFL Players Association proceeds to use discussion of a looming lockout to stir up fan, press, and political support for its current labor struggle with the NFL. Not too long ago, NFLPA executive director DeMaurice Smith informed Bloomberg.com that a lockout is a “virtual certainty” in 2011.

On the surface, that's somewhat a lot better than Smith's previously diagnosis of the odds of a lockout being at 14 on a scale of one to 10.

Nevertheless as pointed out on Friday's edition of The Dan Patrick Show, guest-hosted by a particular Internet hack with a face for radio and a voice for print, there is a apparent detachment relating to the union's lockout rhetoric and the fact that the union has crisscrossed the country to set up consent from its participants to decertify (or, as the NFL describes it, “go out of business”).

Decertification would prevent a lockout, due to the fact there would be no combined work force to prevent from working. So I asked NFLPA spokesman George Atallah in the course of his Friday visit to The Dan Patrick Show why the union does not discuss, when banging the drum in the halls of Congress relating to a lockout, the reality that the union has guaranteed an amazing silver bullet - the ability to shut down the process and go forward as a gang of individual employees.

Atallah stopped short of stating that the union undeniably would carry out decertification, claiming that the competitors continue to wish to work things out on the bargaining table. Nevertheless none of this alters the reality that, when sounding the lockout alarm, the NFLPA isn't telling the entire story to the press, the supporters, or the politicians.

So whenever De Smith says that a lost 2011 football season would lead to “\$5 billion in lost wages, taxes and other revenue,” he ought to express the fact that the union has pieced together the capacity to prevent football from locking out the participants, if/when it comes to that.

If the union so seriously wants to avoid financial implications to the stadium workers as well as other collateral workers whom the union claims to wish to protect, they ought to make it obvious at this time that there will not be a lockout because the participants plan to employ among the same tactics off the field that they typically used on it.

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