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office of the Secretary of State and place it under the supervision of the Governor.

OSEA Action: Watch and Amend (unsuccessful).
Legislative Action: Passed.

SENATE BILL 196. The purpose of this bill was to amend a 1953 law so that the Director of Finance and Administration could add another administrative division (unspecified). These positions are exempt from civil service.

OSEA Action: Watch. Legislative Action: Passed.

SENATE BILL 479. This bill was designed to reorganize the State Tax Commission by reducing the number of commissioners from three to one.

OSEA Action: Watch. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 28. This bill relates to the Forest Products Laboratory at Corvallis. Its purpose was to remove certain employees with academic rank, or quasi-academic rank from the classified service and place them in the unclassified service.

OSEA Action: Watch. Legislative Action: Passed.

HOUSE BILL 49. The Oregon State Bar sponsored this bill. Its object was to clarify certain legal procedures of the state administrative agencies.

OSEA Action: Watch. Legislative Action: Passed.

HOUSE BILL 59. The purpose of this bill was to extend veterans' preference benefits on civil service examinations to all people who could qualify as veterans.

OSEA Action: Watch. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 136. This bill had for its objective the placing of State Police under provisions of the State Civil Service Law.

OSEA Action: Watch. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 165. This bill was introduced by representatives of the Public Employees Council, (A. F. of L.). Its object was to close the "open back door" thus forcing an employer to reinstate an employee who had been discharged for other than racial, political or religious reasons.

OSEA Action: Oppose. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 225. Its object was to remove certain quasi-academic and academic positions from the classified service at Oregon Technical Institute.

OSEA Action: Oppose in principle. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 268. This measure was introduced by representatives of the Public Employees Council, (A. F. of L.). Its object was to amend the Civil Service law to include a member of organized labor on the civil service commission.

OSEA Action: Oppose. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 441. This bill was introduced at the request of the Civil Service Commission. It amends the civil service law by defining a divisional re-employment list as one which contains only those names of employees laid off in good standing.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Passed.

HOUSE BILL 517. This bill was designed to amend sections of the state civil service law and also sections of the city and county civil service law. It provided for only one promotion list and one employment list.

OSEA Action: Oppose. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 537. This bill proposed to amend the state civil service law and also the city and county laws by making it mandatory that all vacancies in the classified service be filled within 30 days after certification of candidates.

OSEA Action: Oppose. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 564. This bill related to the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electric energy by the state and excluded employees from civil service.

OSEA Action: Oppose. Legislative Action: Tabled.

HOUSE BILL 687. This bill amends the state civil service law. It sets up three divisions of state service, (1) classified, (2) unclassified and (3) exempt.

Probably the most important feature to most employees is that this bill authorizes the Civil Service Commission, beginning with 1956 to make an annual wage survey and to publish their findings on each December 1. It requires state agencies to cooperate in compiling wage data.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Passed.

INSURANCE

SENATE BILL 91. This bill authorizes state agencies to purchase liability insurance. The object of this type of insurance is to protect the employees in case of suits for damages brought on by events occurring in performance of their official duties.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Passed.

OSE AResolution: WC 24/54.

SENATE BILL 341. This bill introduced at the request of OSEA. Its purpose was to direct, by law, state agencies to authorize payroll deduction for OSEA group insurance programs.

OSEA Action: Tabled at request of OSEA. Legislative Action: Tabled.

SENATE BILL 263 (and SB 496). This law extends a group life insurance program adopted at the 1953 session to include all people regularly employed by the State Police and at the State Penitentiary. This is a participating policy, the state paying half the premiums.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Passed.

OSEA Resolution: INS 3/53.

SENATE BILL 642. The object of this bill was to set up, by law, a committee to study the group medical and life insurance problems of state employees. Under the provisions of the act the committee could cancel out existing programs if it wished to do so and replace them with a program of its own choosing. Payroll deductions for insurance would be subject to the approval of this committee.

OSEA Action: Oppose. Legislative Action: Tabled.

WORKING CONDITIONS

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26. This bill directs the Unemployment Compensation Commission to make a study and compute the costs of extending Unemployment benefits to employees of the state and political subdivisions.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Passed.

OSEA Resolution: WC 30/54

HOUSE BILL 22. Transferring \$200,000 of Highway funds to hire additional men to place maintenance division on 40 hour week.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Passed.

OSEA Resolution: WC 14/54.

SENATE BILL 271. The purpose of this bill was to reimburse state officers and employees for damage to or loss of personal property arising out of or in course of employment.

OSEA Action: Approve. Legislative Action: Tabled (To be worked out administratively).

OSEA Resolution: WC 15/52.

HOUSE BILL 418. This bill amends the law which provides for leave of absence of public employees for attendance at National Guard training programs, etc.

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