

HB 1288 — Provides for voluntary collective bargaining between public employees and their employing units including the State and its employees. This measure was opposed by the Association after the bill had been sent out of the State and Federal Affairs Committee "Do Pass". The Law and Legislation Committee directed opposition to the bill and an opponents hearing was procured before the Committee. The Executive Secretary was asked at that time why he had not appeared in opposition of the bill prior to the previous Committee action. He stated his position that he personally saw no harm in the bill insofar as the state employees were concerned, and had only recently been instructed to take a position in opposition. He then offered the reasoning of the Association that the "collective bargaining process" could not apply to public service as defined by the merit system so arduously won years ago by the OSEA and the League of Women Voters.

- 3-8 Second reading. Referred to State and Federal Affairs.
- 3-7 First reading in the Senate.
- 5-30 Recommendation: Do pass.
- 5-31 Motion to refer to State and Federal Affairs failed.
Third reading. Passed.

(This measure had passed the last Legislative session without opposition from the Association, but was vetoed by the Governor. On this occasion the Governor and Staff were in support of the bill, feeling that it would open communications between local jurisdictions and their employees. Labor's position that the measure had to be universal in application was based on a recent decision of the Oregon Supreme Court which held that municipalities, due to Oregon's home rule provisions, were governed only by laws of general application. It also held that legislation purporting to govern or control the actions or powers of municipalities or political sub-divisions nullified the scope of "home rule.")

A. An all-out fight against the measure was waged in the Senate, and for awhile it appeared the bill might be kept in Committee. However, the majority of the Committee had been previously committed to passing it out and, on final roll call, we failed by one vote to defeat the measure on the Senate floor.

SB 314 & HB 1482 — These measures both provided for ways and means of investing the monies of the Retirement Board. HB 1482 went further than SB 314 and provided for the investment of the State Industrial Accident Funds and other trust agency funds as well. They were considered in opposition to each other since HB 1482 provided for the authority to invest up to 10% of the fund in equity shares. The Association took the position that procuring a full-time analyst-manager was of prime importance and authorized support of either measure on this basis.

SB 314 was not passed out of the Ways and Means Committee.

HB 1482 passed the House with but one dissenting vote. After introduction to the Senate, it was referred to Financial Affairs Committee and was passed out "Do Pass" on the motion of Senators Hallock and Willner with Senators Hare and Chairman Alice Corbett joining. The measure was recalled before reaching the Senate floor with Senator Hare changing his position. Senator Pearson led the fight to keep the bill in Committee and was joined by Senators Ahrens, Elfstrom and Hare. The measure was never again referred to the floor for a vote with or without recommendation. It was vigorously opposed by Max Manchester, Executive Secretary of the Retirement Board, State Treasurer Howard Belton and others. OSEA gave full support to the measure once it had cleared the Ways and Means Committee.

SB 359 — This measure, which would have eliminated Washington's and Lincoln's birthday and election days to be replaced by "Oregon Day," failed to receive a constitutional majority in the Senate. The OSEA had requested referral of the act to the Ways and Means for evaluation of the salary impact on public employees, and was an opponent of the bill.

HJR 34 — Provides for the Retirement Board to develop, subsequent to the 1966 actuarial valuation, the following recommendations for presentation to the 1967 Legislative Assembly:

A retirement benefit objective equal to 50% of the average salary for the last five years of employment.

A revised contribution scale necessary to achieve this objective.

An interest assumption reflecting a realistic relationship to actual yields.

House vote:

Passed both House and Senate after favorable committee action by Ways and Means and Public Buildings and Institutions, respectively.

HJR 35 — Provides for revision of the Retirement Act by the Legislative Counsel to clarify and simplify arrangement of the law. Passed House without dissenting vote after favorable action in Judiciary. The Senate also passed the bill when its Judiciary Committee recommended adoption.

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