

All of OSEA's Bills Introduced; Here's List and Current Status

Editor's Note: All of OSEA's bills have been introduced into the 1973 legislature. Some were introduced at the request of the Association, some were introduced by the Public Employees' Retirement Conference (PERC), of which OSEA is a participant, and others were introduced by the Executive Department as a result of the collective bargaining contract negotiated by the Association last month. Following is a listing of those bills and the current status of each.

SENATE

SB 297: PERC bill to correct the denial of participation by legislators in the Public Employees' Retirement System. Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee heard the bill on February 20 but no action has yet been taken.

SB 301: OSEA bill to create additional options on the health plans offered under the supervision of the State Employees' Benefit Board. Assigned to the Senate State and Federal Affairs Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 355: OSEA bill to permit payroll deduction for automobile insurance programs endorsed by a state agency or employe organization. Assigned to the Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 441: PERC omnibus retirement improvement bill. Assigned to the Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 440: OSEA bill to clarify protection of Administrative Procedures Act for academic employes. Assigned to Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 618: Executive Department bill (resulting from negotiations with OSEA) to increase private car mileage reimbursement rate from 9 to 11 cents. Assigned to the Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 619: Executive Department bill (resulting from negotiations with OSEA) to increase state contribution to employe health insurance from \$10

to \$15 a month. Assigned to Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 620: Executive Department bill (resulting from negotiations with OSEA) to increase vacation allowance one day a year and to increase maximum accrued vacation leave from 200 to 250 hours. Assigned to Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

SB 622: Executive Department bill (resulting from negotiations with OSEA) to permit accrued sick leave upon retirement be paid by means of an increased retirement benefit. Assigned to Ways and Means Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HOUSE

HB 2449: OSEA bill to define who is the employer of state employes for collective bargaining purposes. Assigned to House Labor Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HB 2496: OSEA bill to permit faculty members to have access to their own personnel records. Assigned to House Judiciary Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HB 2551: OSEA bill to clarify the power of the Public Employee Relations Board to reverse agency disciplinary actions. Assigned to House Labor Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HB 2552: OSEA bill relating to PERS "police officer" classification for Corrections Division custody employes. Assigned to House Labor Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HB 2890: OSEA bill exempting PERS pensions from unemployment compensation reduction. Assigned to House Labor Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HB 2892: OSEA bill to permit strikes by public employes in certain instances. Expected to be assigned to House Labor Committee.

HJR 30: OSEA resolution to amend Oregon's constitution to permit state employes to serve in the legislature. Assigned to House Local Government Committee where no hearing has yet been held.

HJR 31: OSEA resolution to direct the Personnel Division to revise job classifications, qualification requirements and tests to eliminate discrimination. House State and Federal Affairs Committee heard the measure on March 12 but no action has yet been taken.

An OSEA proposal to permit bargaining of a "fair share agreement" requiring non-members of a certified representative organization to pay representation fee is being considered by House Labor Committee as an amendment to HB 2263, the Governor's Task Force bill on public employe collective bargaining.

Remember: Dues Are Deductible

With the deadline fast approaching for filing 1972 state and federal income tax returns, here's two things OSEA members should keep in mind:

(1) OSEA dues are deductible from both federal and state taxes.

(2) A tax credit equal to one-half of a contribution to a political organization such as Citizen Action by State Employees (CASE), up to \$12.50 for an individual or \$25.00 for a couple, may be claimed on federal (not state) tax forms.



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