

Measure Asks Reduction of Interest Rate

Bills introduced in the senate Thursday seek to slash interest rates on small loans, increase the highway commission from three to five members and prohibit firemen in Oregon cities from working more than 72-hours a week.

The loan measure, turned over by Sen. Vernon Bull of LaGrande, would slash the interest on loans under \$500 from three to 1 1/2 per cent. It would also prohibit wage garnishments to collect loans covered by the small loans act.

The highway commission proposal would require the governor to appoint commission members from each of Oregon's four congressional districts and the fifth member from the state at large. A similar measure was killed in the 1947 session.

The firemen's hour act is sponsored by the Oregon Fire Fighters association. Backers pointed out that firemen in many Oregon cities are working more than 90 hours a week.

Sen. Richard Neuberger submitted a bill to require candidates for the presidency in Oregon preferential primary elections to file expense accounts with the secretary of state like other aspirants. He said the measure was inspired by the lavish Dewey-Stassen campaign in Oregon last year.

A bill by Sen. Frank H. Hilton, Portland, would require voter's pamphlet literature criticizing any political party to be shown to the party involved at least 15 days before it is turned over to the secretary of state. He said the legislation stemmed from some remarks printed in the voter's pamphlet last year.

A bill introduced by the state real estate commission would boost brokers' fees from \$7.50 to \$10 annually and raise salesmen's license fees from \$5 to \$10.

In the Senate

PASSED
SB 2 (Thompson)—Allowing summons to be served on duly appointed corporation representatives.
SB 24 (Lampert)—Requiring plats and papers to be filed with county surveyor as well as county clerk.

ADOPTED
SB 32 (Banking)—To allow federal deposit corporation to liquidate branch banks in case of failures.

DEFERRED
SB 37 (Banking)—Eliminates necessity of publication prior to establishment of branch bank.

DEFERRED
SB 42 (Parkinson & others)—Prohibits fishing for striped bass and shad in Umpqua river in Douglas county.

DEFERRED
SB 66 (Wilcox & Coulter)—To permit county road districts to meet in May instead of November and file tax increases with county clerks before June instead of December.

DEFERRED
SB 92 (Judiciary)—To allow any competent person over 21 to serve legal summons instead of confining function to sheriffs or deputies.

DEFERRED
SB 93 (Joint Ways and Means)—Assures state employees in self-sustaining departments \$30 a month, 10% of living pay raise until June 30, 1949.

DEFERRED
SB 94 (Wells)—Providing for joint observance of Lincoln day in house at 1 p.m., Feb. 11.

INTRODUCED
SB 91 (Lampert)—Would give public utilities commissioner authority over railroad company requests to lay crossings or roads.

INTRODUCED
SB 92 (Musa)—To increase state highway commission from three to five members.

INTRODUCED
SB 93 (Hilton)—To require voters pamphlet material criticizing another political party to be submitted to leaders of that party at least 15 days before it is filed with secretary of state.

INTRODUCED
SB 94 (Rev. of Laws)—To prohibit Oregon firemen from working more than 72 hours weekly.

INTRODUCED
SB 95 (Rev. of Laws)—To allow persons acting for estates to bring legal action under employer's liability act in case of wrongful or accidental death.

INTRODUCED
SB 96 (Rev. of Laws)—To boost real estate brokers' licenses from \$5 to \$10 and salesmen's licenses from \$5 to \$10.

INTRODUCED
SB 97 (Bull, Brady & Anderson)—To reduce interest rates on small loans from 3 to 1 1/2 per cent a month and ban wage garnishments for loans under small loan act.

INTRODUCED
SB 98 (Neuberger)—Would require presidential candidates running in preferential primary election to file expense accounts.

INTRODUCED
SB 99 (Belton & others)—To convey from state to Marion, Lane and Clackamas counties flag lands taken over by state to secure federal works loan to build scutching plants.

INTRODUCED
SB 100 (Joint Ways and Means)—Provides money for fixing up temporary quarters for state tax commission.

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In the House

PASSED
HB 36 (Tax. com.)—Sets up means of correcting tax rolls when needed.

DEFERRED
HB 37 (Revision of laws com.)—Eliminates code commissioner and provides for payment supreme court reporter for such work.

DEFERRED
HB 38 (Hilton)—Would increase homestead exemptions from liens and liability attachments from \$300 to \$500.

DEFERRED
HB 39 (Hilton)—Removes law prohibiting a spouse from obtaining any of the property owned by an insane marriage partner; gives courts latitude in such cases.

DEFERRED
HB 40 (Revision of laws com.)—Provides that a convicted person even if an appeal has been made, can elect not to ask for stay of execution and therefore can have subsequent time served count on his possible sentence.

ADOPTED
HJR 3 (Joint ways, means)—Provides that state employees in self-sustaining departments also shall have a \$30-a-month cost-of-living increase through June 30, 1949 as provided for employees whose pay comes from state appropriation.

ADOPTED
HJR 4 (Joint ways, means)—Lets tax commission spend money for temporary quarters pending completion of new state office building.

DEFERRED
HB 44, 83, REFERRED
HB 142-148 Inc.
DO-PASS REPORTS ADOPTED
HB 15, 63, 81, 86, 91, 108, 110.

INTRODUCED
HB 159 (Dreyer et others)—Provides that bonds issued by any public housing authority, when secured by pledges of federal contribution, shall be security for public deposits and legal investments by public housing authorities.

INTRODUCED
HB 160 (Dreyer et others)—Authorizes housing authorities to clear blighted slum areas and to acquire and confer powers on housing authorities, cities or other bodies to underwrite for advisory board housing authorities.

INTRODUCED
HB 161 (Dreyer et others)—Board effect of state laws in regard to housing authorities.

INTRODUCED
HB 162 (Forestry, mining com.)—Exempts retired surveyors from annual registration fee.

INTRODUCED
HB 163 (Lieutenant)—Prohibits livestock from running at large in Umatilla county, provides penalties.

INTRODUCED
HB 164 (Greenwood)—Increases salary of county surveyors in counties of 45,000 to 150,000 population.

INTRODUCED
HB 165 (Labor, industries com.)—Specifies an employer, under unemployment compensation act, shall mean person with quarterly payroll of \$250 or more and employing any one person; effective after June 30, 1949.

INTRODUCED
HB 166 (Labor, industries com.)—Eliminates merchant marine from provisions of law extending rights under unemployment compensation law for time spent in service.

INTRODUCED
HB 167 (Labor, industries com.)—Provides that penalties against an employer in arrears of payments shall be effective at discretion of unemployment commission rather than 10 days from demand.

INTRODUCED
HB 168 (Labor, industries com.)—Provides for prompt notification of the most recent employer of a claimant to unemployment compensation benefits.

INTRODUCED
HB 169 (Labor, industries com.)—Provides penalties for false claims in regard to unemployment compensation benefits.

INTRODUCED
HB 170 (Short, Geary)—Authorizes department of higher education to construct greenhouse at OSC for testing seed potatoes; appropriates \$22,500 payable when matched by donations, gifts, etc.

INTRODUCED
HB 171 (Revision of laws com.)—Provides for destruction of stenographic notes and exhibits on court order 10 years after final judgment.

INTRODUCED
HB 172 (Revision of laws com.)—Exempts work on electric clocks from laws governing watch-making.

INTRODUCED
HB 173 (Wilhelm)—Provides for numbering legislative positions within Multnomah county and would compel candidates to run for specific position.

INTRODUCED
HB 174 (Dreyer-Brady)—Creates office of registrar of Multnomah county at \$400 annually.

INTRODUCED
HB 175 (Labor, industries com.)—Cuts from 48 to 40 hours the work week on public works, overtime to start after 40 hours.

INTRODUCED
HB 176 (Labor, industries com.)—Bases employer contribution to unemployment compensation fund on average taxable payroll, not average payroll.

INTRODUCED
HB 177 (State, Federal Affairs com.)—Substitutes new law for the one now covering Hillcrest Girls' school and makes 12 to 18 instead of 12 to 25.

INTRODUCED
HB 178 (Day et others)—Makes permanent the present salaries of Jackson county officers; judge, sheriff \$3600; treasurer, clerk, assessor, school \$3000; commissioners \$2640.

INTRODUCED
HB 179 (Hill)—Doubles \$5 motor vehicle license fee, with half of the additional funds to go to the state highway commission and a quarter each to the counties and cities.

INTRODUCED
HB 180 (Moore et others)—Empowers Curry county to establish and maintain a county hospital.

INTRODUCED
HB 181 (State, Federal Affairs com.)—Asks President Truman to direct delegates to United Nations to work for world police and reduced armaments.

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New Soldier Bonus Plan Set for Solons

A bonus bill to give Oregon veterans a maximum of \$940 was prepared for introduction Thursday by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The proposal would cost the state about \$55,000,000.

Norman Howard, Portland, VFW legislative director, asked the house military affairs committee to introduce the measure. He said he could find someone to submit it if the committee chooses not to act on the bill.

The measure provides the bonus shall be paid for military service between Dec. 1, 1941, and Dec. 1, 1946. It would be paid at the rate of \$10 for each month for service in the United States and \$15 for each month spent in overseas service.

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Schools Are Said to Need \$75,000,000

Rex Putnam, superintendent of public instruction, told the house education committee Thursday that \$75,000,000 must be spent in the next five years to bring Oregon schools up to desired standards.

Putnam appeared before the group to explain a proposed boost in the diversion of state income tax revenues to the basic school support fund. The bill would increase the amount appropriated per census child from the present sum of \$50 to \$95.

The committee will introduce the bill "by request."

The increase would net the school support fund an additional \$14,000,000 to \$15,000,000 annually. Of this amount, two million dollars would be distributed by the state to individual school districts in financial distress.

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