

Legislative Notes

FLASH—As we go to press AB 91, the Fair Employment Practices bill, has just passed the Assembly by a vote of 65 to 14. Details in next issue.

Committee Meetings. Some changes in committee meeting schedules. The Senate Committee on Insurance and Financial Institutions now meets on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. in Room 3191, instead of on Thursdays in Room 4040. This Committee considers all bills on unemployment insurance and unemployment and disability insurance. Senate Committees on Elections and Public Utilities have changed their respective meeting time from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Also, Public Health and Safety in the upper house is going to meet on Wednesdays, instead of Thursdays, in Room 4040 at 1 p.m.

Health and Welfare Regulation. The Department of Insurance has a bill in (AB 963—Rees) to require health and welfare programs to foot the bill for Department examinations under the Rees-Doyle Act. The bill also calls for an examination at least every 5 years, instead of every 3 years, and establishes a schedule of fees to be paid by programs for registration and filing of financial reports. The California Labor Federation will oppose the Department's bill and work for the passage of *AB 1163 (Rees), which would extend the scope of the Rees-Doyle act to all health and welfare programs, instead of only negotiated programs that are funded as interpreted by the Insurance Commissioner. The federal disclosure law enacted after the Rees-Doyle Act applies to all health and welfare programs. Thus, the negotiated funded programs are currently subjected to both the state and federal laws while unilateral employer programs enjoy coverage under the federal law only. The Legislature should either enact *AB 1163 or repeal the Rees-Doyle Act.

Bills. As of Wednesday, February 18th, bills introduced in the Assembly number 1516. The Senate has 743 measures. Because of printing problems, there is a lag of about a week between the introduction of a bill and reporting of bills of interest to labor in this Newsletter.



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Executive Council Considers Labor Legislation; Offers Helpful Amendments

Official support of the principles of Governor Brown's labor reform and union representation bills was announced at the conclusion of a two-day meeting of the Executive Council of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO. The 36 member Council meeting in Sacramento Friday and Saturday, February 13 and 14, adopted a series of amendments to the bills, SB 209 and AB 419, to correct certain over-

sights and inequities and to materially strengthen the legislation.

Speaking on behalf of the Council, C. J. Haggerty, Executive Secretary of the Federation, said:

"The first action taken in consideration of the Governor's bills was the adoption of a motion to reiterate the statements of policy voted by the December convention of the state AFL-

URGE LOCAL UNIONS TO SET UP LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES FOR ACTION

The California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, this week sent to all affiliated local unions a roster of Legislative Representatives with a covering letter urging them to set up legislative committees for action as needed on legislation vital to Labor's interests.

These committees would perform and organize letter-writing campaigns and other activities deemed essential to the most effective furtherance of the Federation's legislative program.

The Roster carries names and addresses of Congressmen, Senators, Assemblymen and State Senators as well as standing committees and committee schedules.

HAGGERTY AUTHORIZED TO CALL LEGISLATIVE MOBILIZATION MEETINGS

While considering the legislative program of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, the Executive Council of that body authorized C. J. Haggerty, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, to call mobilization conferences in Sacramento at such times as they may be needed and will be most productive.

The action was taken during the meeting of the Council held in Sacramento February 13 and 14 and is in keeping with certain recommendations contained in Resolution No. 58 and which was referred to the Council for action.

In authorizing the Executive Secretary to call the meetings consideration was given to the fact that with the

HEARING DATES FOR LABOR BILLS RESET

Hearing dates for both SB 209 and AB 419 have been reset and information reported last week should be changed as follows: SB 209 before Senate Labor Committee March 16—1:00 PM—AB 419 before Assembly Committee on Industrial Relations March 12—3:45 PM.

CIO in support of the principles of the Brown legislation and pledging the Governor full cooperation to secure their enactment into law.

"This action means simply that the Executive Council rejected any idea in contravention of our convention action that the Governor's bills should be rejected outright as "bad bills." Instead, the elected officers of the state AFL-CIO approached the bills from a desire to be helpful to the Governor, rather than negative and destructive in purpose.

"Following the adoption of the motion to reiterate standing convention policy, we applied Governor Brown's concept of 'responsible liberalism,' which the AFL-CIO in this state has been following for many years.

"With the bills before each member

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (Continued)

of the Council, together with a tabulated summary of the recommendations and views conveyed to us by labor organizations throughout the state, we set to work measuring the principles of the Governor's bills against the specific language, section by section.

"Over a period of 15 working hours, a series of proposed amendments were adopted which will not only correct certain oversights and inequities in the bills, but will also materially strengthen the Governor's program.

"With these amendments, organized labor will be in a position to give full and active support to the Governor in securing enactment of his proposed labor measures.

"I am anxious to meet with Governor Brown to convey to him our findings and recommendations. The Executive Council is fully confident that, with opportunity to explain labor's proposed amendments and the reasoning behind them, the Governor will recognize their constructive merit and necessity if the purpose and principles of his labor bills are to be accomplished."

OTHER ACTIONS

Actions were taken on resolutions referred to the Executive Council by the December AFL-CIO Convention in San Francisco, among which were the following:

Referred to Committee on Community Services, for study and recommendation for implementation of purpose, **Resolution No. 1**. Subject matter of this resolution is concerned with the establishment of a special department in the Federation concerned with the problem of recreation.

Referred to Committee on Health and Safety, Resolution No. 11. Subject matter of this resolution is concerned with safety and health in shipyards.

Referred to Committee on Health and Safety, Resolution No. 24, for study and recommendation. This resolution was referred to the Executive Committee by consent of its sponsors in order that clear and proper legislation may be recommended in the matter of hospital entrance denials in emergency cases where the patient is not able to demonstrate ability to pay at the time. Sponsors of the resolution contend that "most hospitals enjoy certain tax exemptions based on the premise that they are a benefit to the community" and that by this very exemption the public "has endowed these hospitals with a certain responsibility to the community."

In considering the legislative program the Council authorized the Executive Secretary-Treasurer to call mobilization conferences in Sacramento as needed

HEARINGS Assembly

Feb. 24th

Finance & Insurance, 2.00 pm

AB 305 Geo. E. Brown. Revises labor union exemption from certain provisions of Insurance Code. **Watch**

Governmental Efficiency and Economy, 3.45 pm

AB 450 Bee. Repeal exemption of imported key-driven calculators regarding public agency purchases. **Good**

AB 573 Bee. Governor's Welfare Study Commission. **Good**

AB 596 Ernest R. Geddes. Prohibit use of "Registered Psychologist" unless certified and registered. **Good**

AB 163 Dills. Public agency purchase of Heidelberg press. **Watch**

Feb. 25th

Education, 3.45 pm

AB 10 Hegland. Gifted children education. **Good**

AB 24 Hegland. Building aid to Jr. Colleges. **Good**

AB 186 Collier. Create State College Board. **Watch**

AB 392 Sedgwick. Create State College Board. **Watch**

Public Health, 1.30 pm

AB 397 McMillan. Barber enrollment in postgraduate courses. **Watch**

Livestock & Dairies, On adjournment of Agriculture

AB 34 McCollister. New York dressed fowl. **Watch**

AB 65 McCollister. California Poultry Promotion Council. **Watch**

AB 66 McCollister. Sale of poultry. **Good**

AB 94 McCollister. Plant and transportation charges for milk. **Watch**

Feb. 26th

Industrial Relations, 3.45 pm

***AB 317 Z'Berg.** Health and welfare benefits as part per diem wages on public works. **Good**

***AB 318 Z'Berg.** Prevailing rates for state employees in construction, repair and maintenance work. **Good**

Municipal and County Government, 1.30 pm

AB 424 Burke. Counties over 500,000, \$1,000 increase in force account construction. **Watch**

AB 669 Grant. Hospital districts; dissolution. **Watch**

Transportation & Commerce, 1.30 pm

AB 585 Holmes. Unmarked highway patrol vehicles. **Bad**

AB 49 Pattee. Equipment requirements for farm labor vehicles. **Good**

March 2nd

Education, 3.45 pm

AB 807 Masterson. Uniformity of teachers' tenure law. **Good**

AB 704 Hegland. Tax rate of school districts. **Watch**

AB 571 Bee. Appropriation for state participation in federal aid for education. **Good**

AB 372 Donahoe. Teachers' leaves of absence. **Good**

AB 535 Masterson. Permits school boards to pay wrongfully discharged teachers. **Good**

March 3rd

Governmental Efficiency & Economy, 3.45 pm

AB 159 MacBride. Issuance of building permits in cities or counties. **Good**

AB 712 MacBride. Issuance of construction permits. **Good**

March 4th

Judiciary—Civil, 3.45 pm

AB 513 Masterson et al. Attorneys fees in claims against insurers. **Good**

Livestock & Dairies, on adjournment of Agriculture.

AB 583 House. Egg standards. **Bad**

Public Utilities & Corporations, 3.45 pm

AB 138 Lowrey. Registration and operation of motor boats. **Watch**

AB 830 Cunningham. Registering and numbering of vessels. **Watch**

March 5th

Industrial Relations, 3.45 pm

AB 604 Garrigus. Employment of minors. **Bad**

Senate

Feb. 24th

Elections, 9:00 am

SB 48 McBride. Moves primary closer to general election. **Good**

Feb. 25th

Insurance and Financial Institutions, 1.00 pm

SB 17 Collier. Unemployment Insurance. **Watch**

***SB 136 Farr.** Partial UI benefit for commercial fisherman. **Good**

Governmental Efficiency, 10.00 am

SB 33 Richards. Consumer Counsel. **Good**

T-V STATIONS SHOW

AMERICANS AT WORK

Designed to instill in American workers even greater pride in their jobs and to have Americans generally take pride in our nation's workers, TV programs entitled "Americans at Work" are currently being aired by many local TV stations.

These interesting and entertaining 15 minute programs are being presented as a public service by the stations and are prepared under the auspices of the AFL-CIO. Local Labor Councils are being urged to make arrangements with TV stations in their areas to carry this series which will be supplied without cost to the broadcasters.

Among the interesting programs to be presented are dramatic showings of actual-on-the-job production and include the workings of plumbers, potters, bookbinders, papermakers, bakers and many others.

California stations currently carrying the programs are KIEM, Eureka; KTVU, Oakland, and KCRA, Sacramento. Consult your local station for date and time of broadcasts.

MOBILIZATION MEETINGS

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present procedure of the legislature to introduce bills throughout the session may make it necessary to call legislative mobilization meetings of Federation affiliates at any time.

Mobilization meetings may be called in order that the affiliated organizations may lend full strength to the Federation's legislative program and have the opportunity to discuss the matters with their respective representatives in the Legislature.

ASSEMBLY BILLS

AB 1176 MacBride (Revenue and Taxation) Increases inheritance and gift tax rates ranging from 1 to 3 percentage points on transfers to aunts, uncles and cousins, and from 3 to 8 percent in rates on transfers to strangers. Eliminates deduction for federal estate taxes. (Part of Governor's Program.) February 4. **Watch**

AB 1177 MacBride (Revenue and Taxation) Provides for personal income tax rates ranging from one percent on taxable incomes of \$2,500 to 7 percent on taxable incomes over \$15,000, increasing within such range at the rate of one added per cent for each added \$2,500. of taxable income, in lieu of present schedule ranging from one percent on taxable income of \$5,000 to six percent on taxable incomes over \$25,000 with increases of one percent for each added \$5,000 of taxable income.

Cuts personal exemption from \$2,000 to \$1,500 in the case of a single person, and from \$3,500 to \$3,000 in the case of a married couple and an unmarried head of a household. Increases deduction for dependents from \$400 to \$600, and standard deduction from 6 percent to 10 percent of adjusted gross income within a ceiling of \$600 for individuals and \$1,000 for married couples. Conforms state personal income tax law to Eisenhower amendments in federal law permitting rapid write-off for depreciation of plant and equipment. Also conforms state law to federal law in regard to capital gains and losses, and in regard to Small Business Tax Revision act of 1958, permitting treatment as an ordinary loss up to \$25,000 per year (\$50,000 on a joint return,) rather than as a capital loss, a loss sustained by the holder of stock in a small business on a sale or exchange of the stock or on its becoming worthless. Provides that losses sustained on the sale of stock in small business investment company operating under the Federal Small Business Investment Act of 1958 shall be treated as noncapital loss. Provides for similar treatment in case of convertible debenture loss sustained by such a company. (Part of Governor's Tax Program.) February 4. **Bad**

AB 1182 Levering (Finance and Insurance) Disqualifies individual for unemployment insurance and requires serving of disability insurance waiting period upon becoming disabled when unemployed. February 5. **Bad**

***AB 1209 Petris** (Finance and Insurance) Increases unemployment insurance basic weekly benefit by \$5 for a dependent spouse and \$2.50 for each dependent child under 18 years of age. February 5. **Good**

***AB 1210 Petris** (Public Utilities) Provides that work done by a public utility company pursuant to PUC or other public authority is included within provisions of Labor Code applicable to public works. February 5. **Good**

AB 1216 Porter (Education) Permits employment of minors after school hours below age of 14. February 5. **Bad**

AB 1223 Hawkins (Industrial Relations) Establishes statutory minimum wage of \$1.25 per hour, and 95c per hour for "learners." Authorizes Industrial Welfare Commission to grant permits allowing payment of lower wage to persons handicapped by physical disability or other specified causes. Extends authority of Commission to fix minimum wage for women and minors to adult men except in the case of maximum hours and other conditions of labor of males of age of 21 or over. Exempts from statutory minimum wage, baby sitters, voluntary non-profit employees and persons subject to lawful apprenticeship agreement. Confers rule-making power on Industrial Welfare Commission with respect to both statutory minimum wages and those fixed by order, and makes the existing civil and penal provisions applicable to violation of minimum wage orders of the commission applicable also to statutory minimums. (Governor's Minimum Wage Bill.) February 5. **Watch**

AB 1224 MacBride (Municipal & County Government) Revises formula for computing service retirement allowance under county retirement system subject to fixed benefit formula after integration with the federal old age and survivors insurance program. February 5. **Bad**

AB 1230 Ralph M. Brown (Municipal and County Government) Provides that maximum retirement allowance payable upon integration of county employees retirement system with federal OASDI program, and until member is eligible for primary insurance amount under the federal system, is 75 percent of member's final compensation. Provides that all such retirement allowances payable on or after the effective date of this amendment shall be adjusted to conform thereto. Revises provision for payment of employee and employer federal contributions required with respect to services rendered after the effective date of coverage and prior to first deduction of federal contributions. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1231 Ralph M. Brown (Municipal and County Government) Provides that service retirement allowance paid after integration with federal OASDI program may not exceed 65 percent of final compensation of

member. Deletes provision limiting benefits in such cases when added to primary insurance amount payable under federal system to 75 percent of member's final compensation. Provides that all such retirement allowances payable on or after the effective date of this amendment shall be adjusted to conform thereto. Revises provision for payment of employee and employer federal contributions required with respect to services rendered after the effective date of coverage and prior to first deduction of federal contributions. February 9. **Bad**

***AB 1240 Miller** (Municipal and County Government) deletes restrictions upon the amounts of money fire protection districts in one or more counties may raise by taxation each year. February 9. **Good**

***AB 1243 Miller** (Municipal and County Government) Provides that no fireman shall be deprived of wages, benefits, or other conditions of employment by reason of any consolidation, merger, incorporation, or annexation affecting the district or department by which he is employed. Grants to every such fireman the first opportunity to fill openings for fireman in the district or department which consolidated or merged with, or incorporated or annexed, the district or department employing such fireman. February 9. **Good**

AB 1244 Dills (Public Utilities and Corporations) Requires as a condition to an authorization by the PUC for the discontinuance of operation of the whole or part of a railroad line, that the Commission require a fair arrangement to protect the interest of the railroad employees affected. February 9. **Good**

AB 1246 Z'berg (Civil Service and State Personnel) Sets 40 hours as a normal work week for state employees, and authorizes state personnel board to provide for normal work weeks of different lengths for executive and administrative classes or positions or classes with working conditions requiring unusual hours of work, such rules to be enforced by appointing powers. Requires Personnel Board, in establishing work weeks for civil service exempt employees, to make such work weeks consistent with work week of civil service employees. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1247 Z'berg (Civil Service and State Personnel) For purposes of layoff and vacation, provides that state civil service employee with permanent status shall be credited with seniority credit for time spent in military service upon return to state service. February 9. **Good**

AB 1248 Winton (Governmental Efficiency and Economy) Provides that nothing in state law relating to practice of contractors limits power of cities and counties to regulate the quality and character of installations made by such contractors or to enforce other local laws by means otherwise within their power. Urgency Measure. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1253 Hegland (Public Health) Creates advisory board to advise Director of Department of Public Health on frozen food locker plant operations. Defines time of sale as the time food is ordered by the consumer for weighing purposes, and prescribes temperatures for sharp freezing. Prescribes fee of \$25 for all locker plants instead of graduated fees, and requires labeling of each package of frozen foods. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1254 Hegland (Fish and Game) Provides that duplicate fishing license and packing and processing license shall be issued only upon filing of an affidavit showing the loss or destruction of an unexpired license upon payment of \$3.00. Provides for duplicate sport, fishing and hunting license on loss or destruction of unexpired license for fee of \$1.00 instead of full fee. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1256 Grant (Public Health) Revises sanitation requirements for ordinary restaurants, and sets forth sanitation requirements for itinerant restaurants, vehicles and vending machines. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1257 Cameron (Government Organization) Authorizes Department of Finance to make purchases of materials, equipment and supplies, other than printed material, on behalf of any local governmental agency upon its request. Exempts purchases of under \$500. Prohibits a purchase if bids have been received by the local agency unless the department can obtain a lower price on the same terms. Exempts such purchases from local bidding requirements prescribed by state law, and provides for charge of defraying costs of the service. February 9. **Watch**

AB 1258 Rees (Finance and Insurance) Adds to Unemployment Insurance Code enabling legislation, in compliance with prerequisites and requirements imposed by the Federal Employment Security Administrative Financing Act of 1954, to permit the Legislature, by appropriation, to use excess funds derived from federal unemployment tax contributions which have been returned to the State, for purposes of meeting the costs of administration of the unemployment insurance program as well as for benefit payment purposes. Specifies that such funds shall not be used for determining the balance in the Unemployment Fund for employers tax purposes and exempts such funds from provisions making continuous appropriation of amounts in the Unemployment Fund. Makes related changes. February 9. **Watch**

†No bill may be taken up until 30 days after date of introduction indicated in Digest, except by 3/4 vote.

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- AB 1259 Rees** (Finance and Insurance) Provides that where a judgment has been rendered against a third party for an injury to an employee, pursuant to workmen's compensation, the employer shall have no liability to reimburse or hold such third person harmless on such a judgment. February 9. **Watch**
- AB 1260 Rees** (Finance and Insurance) Permits an order, decision, or award of compensation under the workmen's compensation law to be rescinded, altered, or amended by the IAC upon a petition by one of the parties in interest so requesting filed within five years of the date of the injury. Permits commission to act on such a petition after the lapse of the five year period if the petition is filed within such period. February 9. **Watch**
- AB 1261 Rees** (Finance and Insurance) Exempts co-employees acting within the scope of their employment from liability for damages where the injured employee is entitled to benefits from the employer under workmen's compensation. February 9. **Watch**
- AB 1267 Donahoe** (Education) Provides for the establishment of guidance schools for minors between 8 and 17 years of age, inclusive, whose parents or guardian is unable to exercise proper care, supervision, and guidance over him, or who is, by reason of insubordinate conduct, in need of special educational training and discipline to prevent him from becoming subject to the provisions of the Juvenile Court Law. February 9. **Watch**
- AB 1268 Hanna** (Judiciary—Civil) Provides, with respect to a work of improvement reasonably expected to take at least 12 months to complete, that the original contractor may file for record a "subsidiary notice of completion" for a particular portion of the work, in which case persons furnishing labor or materials for such portion of the work must file their claims of lien within 30 days after the subsidiary notice of completion is filed, rather than at such time as is otherwise prescribed. Prescribes contents of a subsidiary notice of completion. February 9. **Watch**
- AB 1274 Belotti** (Fish and Game) Changes prohibition against possession of salmon on board a vessel carrying a net to apply only to salmon taken with any type of net rather than any salmon regardless of how taken. February 9. **Watch**
- AB 1276 MacBride** (Education) Consolidates various sections of the code which enable a school district to pay persons employed in positions requiring certification qualifications pending the renewal or issuance of a certificate. February 10. **Good**
- AB 1279 Bee** (Municipal & County Government) Raises minimum amount of a contract of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Act which must be let for bidding from \$4,500 to \$5,500. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1280 Bee** (Education) Specifies that a continuing contract not to exceed five years in duration may be entered into by a school district governing board with an accepted vendor, for apparatus or equipment to be furnished, sold, built, leased, installed, or repaired for the district. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1284 Garrigus** (Social Welfare) Provides that the earnings of the spouse of a recipient of old-age assistance, up to \$100 per month, shall not be considered community property for the purposes of the Old Age Security Law, and shall not be considered income to the recipient except to the extent that they are actually contributed to him. February 10. **Good**
- AB 1285 O'Connell** (Revenue and Taxation) Requires personal income tax return of any individual, estate, or trust having any taxable income or with any gross income of \$7,500 or over regardless of taxable income. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1288 Donahoe** (Education) Increases from \$4 to \$6 the fee for the issuance of an education credential or life diploma or the renewal of a credential. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1289 Donahoe** (Education) Makes certificated employees in office of county superintendent of schools, whose compensation is paid out of both the county school service fund and the county general fund, eligible to be members of either the county employees' retirement system established under the County Employees' Retirement Law of 1937 or the State Teachers' Retirement System, and requires such employee to elect one of the two systems. Provides for transfer of membership from one system to another. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1290 Biddick** (Transportation and Commerce) Authorizes the Department of Public Works to enter into agreements with the United States relating to the construction and maintenance of highways in connection with any facility of the United States, rather than in connection with the Central Valley Project. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1294 Unruh** (Public Utilities and Corporations) Permits any public utility, except a common carrier, owning or operating a reservoir to expend funds to develop recreational facilities thereat and permits Public Utilities Commission to consider such costs in fixing rates for services. February 10. **Bad**
- AB 1295 Unruh** (Natural Resources, Planning and Public Works) Permits the State or any public agency owning or operating a reservoir to expend its funds to develop recreational facilities thereat and to include costs thereof in service charges. February 10. **Bad**
- *AB 1300 Unruh** (Industrial Relations) Prohibits employment discrimination against an otherwise qualified person solely on the ground of his age. February 10. **Good**
- AB 1301 Britschgi** (Criminal Procedure) Prohibits driving vehicle when under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and any drug. Provides penalty of 30 days to 6 months imprisonment or \$50 to \$500 fine, or both, for a first conviction and 90 days to one year imprisonment or \$200 to \$1000 fine, or both, for any subsequent conviction. Provides that lawful use of drugs is not a defense of section. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1303 Grant** (Manufacturing, Oil, and Mining Industry) Provides that the \$250,000 transferred from the Investment Fund to the Subsidence Abatement Fund for the use of the State Oil and Gas Supervisor in administering the provisions of the Public Resources Code relating to subsidence amelioration, shall be returned when the balance in the Subsidence Abatement Fund reaches \$350,000, rather than \$400,000. Requires the Department of Natural Resources instead of the Oil and Gas Supervisor to administer the assessments imposed for subsidence purposes. Provides for a reserve fund of \$100,000 instead of \$50,000 in the Petroleum and Gas Fund. Makes other clarifying changes. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1304 Allen** (Water) Regulates price of water delivered from state water projects in a manner which implies large taxpayer subsidies without any anti-monopoly protection in the distribution of subsidized water. February 10. **Bad**
- AB 1305 Bruce F. Allen** (Water) Requires rates for hydroelectric power produced from such projects to be based on cost of competitive thermal power for the same type of service. Requires full advantage to be taken of increased revenue to be obtained for peaking power. Requires power sold to be delivered to closest point at which it can be accepted, with the cost of delivery to be upon the purchaser. No preference distribution to public agencies is provided. February 10. **Bad**
- AB 1306 Bruce F. Allen** (Water) Authorizes acquisition, construction, operation and maintenance of units of California Water Plan when funds are appropriated therefor even though the state has no criteria for determining financial or economic feasibility. February 10. **Bad**
- AB 1307 Crown** (Elections & Reapportionment) Authorizes the election board of a county to order the omission of nonpartisan offices and local measures from the general election ballot, if it determines that the number of candidates and measures to be voted on will result in too large a general election ballot, and to provide for the issuance of a second ballot to voters containing only nonpartisan offices and local measures. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1308 Crown** (Elections & Reapportionment) Authorizes the election board of a county to order the omission of nonpartisan offices and local measures from the direct primary election ballot, if it determines that the number of candidates and measures to be voted on will result in too large a ballot, and to provide for the issuance of nonpartisan ballots to partisan voters together with their party ballots. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1311 Gaffney** (Transportation and Commerce) Provides that a bridge and highway district shall advertise for bids for any construction or repair work exceeding \$7,500 rather than \$5,000. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1313 Bruce F. Allen** (Water) Requires the monthly transfer of \$4,000,000 to the California Water Fund from the General Fund after setting apart of moneys necessary for the Public School System and state university. February 10. **Bad**
- AB 1314 Bruce F. Allen** (Water) Creates the California Water Fund, consisting of specified moneys, and authorizes expenditures, when appropriated by the Legislature, to construct, operate, and maintain state projects to provide financial assistance to local agencies in construction of projects, and to provide financial assistance for effectuation of joint-use projects of the State and Federal Government and the state and local agencies. February 10. **Bad**
- AB 1317 Ernest R. Geddes** (Finance and Insurance) Authorizes a credit union to make construction loans subject to a maximum percentage of the value of the property. Provides a method of determining the value of the property. Excludes loans insured by the United States from the provisions, makes other changes. February 10. **Good**
- AB 1318 Ernest R. Geddes** (Finance and Insurance) Creates the office of Deputy Credit Union Commissioner to administer the California Credit Union Law under the direction of the Commissioner of Corporations. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1319 Ernest R. Geddes** (Judiciary—Civil) Exempts from execution and attachment shares in the amount of \$1,500 in any credit union. February 10. **Watch**
- AB 1322 Levering** (Finance and Insurance) Requires that for an increased benefit to be paid on the death of an employee leaving a surviving widow and one or more dependent children, the widow must also be dependent. February 11. **Watch**
- AB 1323 Holmes** (Government Organization) Provides licensees or employees arrested for violation of alcoholic beverage Control Acts shall not be taken before a magistrate upon such person's agreeing to appear in court at a time and place designated by the arresting officer. February 11. **Watch**
- AB 1326 Davis** (Revenue and Taxation) Exempts medicines dispensed on prescription and filed by a registered pharmacist from sales tax. February 11. **Good**

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AB 1328 Ernest R. Geddes (Education) Removes prohibition against the use or distribution in a school, or making a part of the school library, or publications of a sectarian, partisan or denominational character. February 11. **Bad**

***AB 1330 Petris** (Finance & Insurance) Makes special provision for freezing of base period wage credits for unemployment compensation benefit purposes, in the case of individual suffering mental or physical disability with a duration of not less than 60 days and not longer than two calendar years.

Specifies that any unexpended balance of benefits in an unexpired benefit year at the time of incurring disability shall be re-established following termination of the disability.

Provides for the establishment of a new benefit year at the termination of the disability, founded on a base period excluding calendar quarters during which the individual was disabled for 60 days or more and substituting for any such quarters, calendar quarters prior to the commencement of disability.

Specifies that no act or course of action of the individual performed prior to his period of disability shall be used as a ground for disqualification afterward, and that pertinent computational data may be established by the individual's affidavit in the event the department's records pertaining thereto have been destroyed. February 11. **Good**

***AB 1331 Petris** (Finance and Insurance) Increases from \$3 to \$15 the amount of an individual's weekly earnings which shall be disregarded in computing the unemployment insurance benefit payment for that week. February 11. **Good**

AB 1333 George E. Brown (Education) Specifies that no questions relating to political party registration, religion, race, color, or marital status shall be asked of an applicant for a school position requiring certification qualifications. February 11. **Good**

AB 1339 Bane (Governmental Efficiency and Economy) Requires a registered apprentice who fails the barbers examination to take such examination at least once during each succeeding 12 month period until he passes.

Makes failure to comply with this provision a cause for disciplinary action. February 11. **Watch**

AB 1340 Bane (Governmental Efficiency and Economy) Requires as a prerequisite to obtaining a certificate of registration as a registered apprentice, to obtaining a certificate of registration as a registered barber, and to registration in a barber college for a refresher course, for persons applying on or before December 31, 1959, completion of the eighth grade, for persons applying on or before December 31, 1960, completion of the ninth grade, for persons who apply on or before December 31, 1961, completion of the tenth grade for persons who apply on or before December 31, 1962, completion of the eleventh grade, or for persons who apply on or after January 1, 1963, a diploma showing graduation from the twelfth grade, rather than graduation from an eighth-grade grammar school. Requires as a prerequisite to approval of a barber college that the college require persons applying thereto to have the education specified above, rather than having graduated from an eighth-grade grammar school. February 11. **Watch**

AB 1341 Dills (Municipal and County Government) Provides that a safety member of a county retirement system who retires after 25 years of service shall receive a retirement allowance of at least 40 percent of his final compensation. February 11. **Good**

AB 1342 Bradley (Government Organization) Provides that the extension of the boundaries of Leland Stanford Junior University to within 1 1/2 miles of any licensed premises shall not affect premises established as of January 1, 1958, or the sale or transfer of the license from such premises. February 11. **Watch**

AB 1349 Bruce F. Allen (Education) Requires holder of school administrator's credential complete course in the principles and methods of identifying, counseling and providing education for mentally retarded and emotionally disturbed children. Provides that on and after September 1, 1960, no such credential is valid unless the holder shows that he has satisfactorily completed such a course. Requires state colleges to offer such courses. February 11. **Watch**

AB 1347 Bradley (Governmental Efficiency and Economy) Revises provisions establishing qualifications of members of State Board of Cosmetology and increases from \$20 to \$30 the amount which member of the board is to receive for each day at board meetings. Deletes provisions requiring board to examine applicants for license and registration and provides that the board shall cause such examination to be given. Requires the demonstration, administration, or application of cosmetics

to be performed by a hairdresser and cosmetician or cosmetologist. Deletes provisions relating to classification of junior operator, junior electrologist and permanent waver.

Increases from 30 days to 120 days the time within which a photograph of an applicant may be taken prior to making application.

Requires evidence as condition to licensing of school of cosmetology that the establishment of such school in the particular area will not be detrimental to the public welfare.

Excludes tools from articles which a school is required to furnish free to its students.

Includes cosmetology instructor among those persons licensed in other state who may make application to board for licensing under the reciprocity provisions. February 11. **Bad**

AB 1350 O'Connell (Social Welfare) Increases from \$85 (plus \$5 because of federal increases) to \$100 per month the maximum basic grant to recipients of old age assistance; from \$105 to \$106 the maximum limitation on aid and income placed on recipients receiving a supplemental aid grant on the basis that their combined aid grant and income is less than \$105 per month; from \$90 to \$100 per month the maximum amount to which the basic aid grant may be raised by reason of federal increases in aid to the State for old age assistance, and changes the date following which federal changes in grant will be considered from May 1, 1955, to November 1, 1958. Urgency Measure. February 11. **Good**

AB 1351 O'Connell (Elections & Reapportionment) Makes county and municipal offices partisan offices. February 11. **Good**

AB 1354 Rees (Municipal and County Government) Removes the present requirement that persons displaced by community redevelopment projects shall be supplied with other housing within the community, and substitutes in its stead a provision that such housing may be outside the community if reasonably convenient to the needs of the displaced persons. February 11. **Watch**

AB 1358 MacBride (Governmental Efficiency and Economy) Provides for the certification of principal professional inspectors, professional building inspectors, professional electrical inspectors, and professional mechanical inspectors and prohibits any person from using the title associated with a certificate that he does not hold, and prohibits any person who does not hold a certificate from using the title professional inspector.

Prescribes the qualifications of candidates for the various certificates and provides for examinations and the issuance, revocation, and suspension of certificates. Creates the California State Board of Professional Inspectors Fund, and provides for the payment of fees. February 11. **Watch**

AB 1368 Rumford (Public Health) Requires the State Department of Public Health, before February 1, 1960, to develop and publish standards for the quality of the air of this State as to reflect the relationship between the intensity and composition of air pollution and the health, illness, and death of human beings. Urgency Measure. February 11. **Good**

AB 1371 Pattee (Transportation and Commerce) Defines "farm labor buses" and "farm labor trucks" as buses and trucks of a farmer or farm labor contractor used to transport seven or more employees. Prohibits operation of such vehicle unless the operator is in possession of a chauffeur's license. February 12. **Good**

AB 1372 Thelin (Finance and Insurance) Excludes from the definition of "injury", for purposes of the workmen's compensation law, any harm sustained due to a petit mal or grand mal (epileptic) attack causing the employee to fall or any heart attack or rupture or blockage of blood vessel caused or contributed to by any condition or occurrence of the employment, unless it is proven that such condition or occurrence was excessive and unusual and not part of the employee's ordinary work. February 12. **Bad**

AB 1373 Thelin (Finance and Insurance) Restricts liberal interpretation of provisions of workmen's compensation law by IAC and courts. February 12. **Bad**

***AB 1375 Burton** (Gov't Efficiency & Economy) Requires person licensed in this State as a contractor to maintain with the Division of Labor Law Enforcement a \$2,500 bond conditioned upon the payment of wages. February 12. **Good**

AJR 12 Hawkins (Rules) Requests Congress to enact National Food Allotment Stamp Plan to distribute surplus foods to those in need of food supplements. February 3. **Good**

AJR 15 Johnson (Rules) Memorializes Congress to enact legislation to clarify the jurisdiction of a state with regard to the protection of the health and safety of the public from radiation hazards incident to the possession or use of facilities and materials licensed by the Atomic Energy Commission under the provision of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954. February 12. **Good**

FORM 3547 REQUESTED

SENATE BILLS

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- SB 533 Gibson** (Business & Professions) Requires State Board of Cosmetology to mail to every person taking an examination the total grade he receives thereon. Authorizes an unsuccessful applicant within 90 days after results of examination are declared to inspect his examination paper. February 4. **Watch**
- SB 534 Gibson** (Business & Professions) Requires water well drilling contractors to be licensed under the state contract act. Requires license board to issue a water well drilling contractor's license to a person who files an application with the board prior to Oct. 1, 1960, and who for four years out of the last ten years preceding the filing of the application has been engaged in full-time business of water well drilling. February 4. **Watch**
- SB 535 McBride** (Governmental Efficiency) Prohibits sale of liquor at a price wherein the vendor's tax-paid cost, or established replacement cost exceeds 90 percent of the vendor's selling price, except in bona fide closeout sales. February 4. **Watch**
- SB 544 McBride** (Governmental Efficiency) Authorizes issuance of distilled spirits importer's license for the manufacture of distilled spirits, as well as distilled spirits manufacturer's and distilled spirits manufacturer's agent's licenses for such manufacturer, and specifically authorizes the issuance of licenses for distilled spirits import businesses. Declares alcohol beverages fair trade contracts to be policy of the state. Prohibits sale of distilled spirits in violation of Unfair Practices Act contained in Business and Professions Code. February 4. **Watch**
- SB 545 Dilworth** (Local Government) Makes numerous changes in Municipal Water District Act of 1911. Among others, authorizes district to exercise the powers of eminent domain, to engage in collection, treatment and disposal of sewage, waste and storm water and to provide for fire protection in the district. February 4. **Watch**
- *SB 546 Shaw** (Judiciary) Requires that attorney's fees for legal service rendered employee obtaining workmen's compensation award shall be paid by the employer or insurer and not deducted from the award. February 4. **Good**
- SB 553 Stiern** (Judiciary) Prohibits workmen's compensation payments to county inmates when injured while fighting fires as an inmate. Permits such payments to be made after the date of discharge of such persons only for such disability as found to exist after date of discharge. February 5. **Watch**
- SB 556 Farr** (Judiciary) Provides that employer is guilty for failure to pay wages "after demand has been made" instead of when wages are demanded. February 5. **Watch**
- SB 569 Williams** (Labor) Provides in regard to workmen's compensation that permanent disability ratings shall not be increased, based on subjective symptomatology, and that in determining the percentage of permanent disability, subjective symptomatology not supported by manifest physical impairment shall be presumed to be nondisabling. February 9. **Bad**
- SB 576 McCarthy** (Transportation) Creates Golden Gate Authority to construct and operate facilities to promote trade, travel, and commerce in the San Francisco Bay Area; provides for the issuance of revenue bonds; authorizes the collections of tolls and other charges, and provides for the acquisition of certain existing facilities. February 12. **Watch**
- SB 602 McBride** (Labor) Requires employers and insurers to report specified injuries and claims under the Workmen's Compensation Law to the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Education for rehabilitation purposes. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 605 Hollister** (Labor) Provides that where a permanent workmen's compensation disability rating is predicted in whole or in part on subjective complaints, no portion of such rating attributable to such complaints shall be subject to lump sum payment until one year from last payment of temporary disability benefits or one year from injury, whichever first occurs, and in no event prior to two years from the date of injury. February 10. **Bad**
- SB 609 Gibson** (Business and Professions) Requires State Board of Barber Examiners to extend for six months the time within which a course of instruction is to be completed by a student on application of such student.
Includes within reasons for which board may in its discretion grant a further extension to a student the enrollment and attendance of such student in an elementary or secondary school or institute of higher learning. Requires student to make application for an extension in writing within six months after the expiration of the time within which the course of instruction is to be completed. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 610 Gibson** (Business & Professions) Makes a ground for disciplinary action the adjudication of bankruptcy of a licensee, the appointment of a receiver of the property of a licensee, or the making of an assignment for the benefit of creditors. Authorizes the Registrar of Contractors to renew or reissue a license suspended or revoked for the above reasons if the licensee posts a bond for each contract he undertakes. Provides that the bonding requirement shall not apply to a contract the price of which is less than \$500 and not extend beyond five years from the date of renewal or reissuance of the license. February 11. **Watch**
- SB 612 Gibson** (Governmental Efficiency) Prohibits the appointment of licensing of a pilot if he is over the age of 70 and forbids any other limitation of age, except that he be over 21.
Requires that he have a practical knowledge of the management of motor ships and steam vessels, rather than sailing and steam vessels. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 613 Gibson** (Governmental Efficiency) Provides for licensing and regulation of persons selling information or predictions of the outcome of horse races. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 618 McCarthy** (Local Government) Requires contractor to post a bond conditioned upon the satisfactory completion of work undertaken pursuant to the Street Opening Act of 1889 and the Street Opening Act of 1903. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 624 McBride** (Labor) Authorizes the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to provide consultative services to community organizations in the establishment and operation of sheltered services to community organizations in the establishment and operation of sheltered workshops for the disabled.
Provides that the bureau may contract with qualified persons or firms for consultation in technical fields so that directors of workshops may be advised as to the desirability of undertakings and the methods of achieving objectives.
Appropriates \$50,000, less federal funds made available, for 1959-60 Fiscal Year. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 626 McBride** (Labor) Provides that severely disabled persons may be given vocational rehabilitation services so that such person may be improved to a point of self-care even though full economic rehabilitation may not be achieved. Provides for an advisory council to the chief administrative officer of the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation, for consultation on services to the severely disabled. Appropriates \$200,000 for such program. February 10. **Watch**
- SB 640 Byrne** (Insurance & Financial Institutions) Eliminates the requirement for approval of a voluntary plan of unemployment disability insurance, that the plan will not result in a substantial selection of risks adverse to the State Disability Fund. February 10. **Bad**
- SB 643 Rodda** (Education) Provides that it shall be a misdemeanor for any person to insult or abuse any teacher in the presence of a governing board member as well as in the presence of the school or a pupil. Increases the maximum fine from \$100 to \$500. February 11. **Good**
- SB 649 Grunsky** (Labor) Provides that the filing of a release or compromise agreement with respect to a workmen's compensation claim stays all proceedings and suspends all statutes of limitation under the Workmen's Compensation Law. February 11. **Bad**
- SB 672 Donahoe** (Education) Provides that the State Board of Education may make rules and regulations for the establishment of work experience programs for physically and mentally handicapped minors.
Permits school districts and superintendents of schools to pay training fees to employers who give supervision and training to the handicapped minors in business establishments. Requires the Department of Education to study the work experience program and report problems, successes and costs to the Legislature and committees in 1961. February 12. **Watch**
- SB 673 Donahoe** (Finance) Authorizes continuation of study begun in 1955 of vocational rehabilitation of industrially injured persons. Appropriates \$115,000 from General Fund to Department of Education for the study, to be reduced by the amount of any federal contribution. February 12. **Watch**
- SB 674 McBride** (Governmental Efficiency) Creates distilled spirits salesman's license and distilled spirits manufacturer's representative's license with fee of \$10 dollars per year and prescribes their authority. February 12. **Watch**
- SCA 6 McCarthy** (Transportation) Authorizes legislature to authorize use of highway user tax and fee revenues for the acquisition of rights-of-way for rapid transit facilities. February 4. **Watch**
- SCA 7 Richards** (Elections) Provides for three assembly districts for each congressional district. Provides for uniformity in reapportionment of districts within given tolerance as a percentage of each other. February 5. **Good**