

Legislative Notes

Crossfiling. Governor Brown's cross-filing repealer (AB 118-Munnell) cleared the Assembly this week by a vote of 49 to 29 after a hot debate on an amendment to prohibit pre-primary endorsements by party organizations. The amendment failed by only one vote. On the Senate side, President Pro Tem Hugh M. Burns has announced that he and others in the upper house will carry on the battle to eliminate pre-primary endorsements. It looks like a rough road ahead.

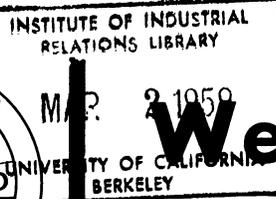
Installment Buying Controls. Legislation to protect installment buyers from exorbitant charges and other abuses has received unanimous approval from the Assembly Committee on Finance and Insurance and is presently waiting floor action in the lower house. The measure, AB 500 (Unruh), is the result of extensive interim committee study.

Labor Legislative Program. Federation sponsored measures are beginning to appear on file for committee hearing. (See page 2 of Newsletter). Each Newsletter carries bill settings two weeks in advance. Affiliates are urged to read the hearing announcements carefully for measures in which they are interested.

Letters to Legislators. They are important, especially when written by a constituent. In the future, as important measures come up, the Federation will urge the communication of views by union members to their lawmakers. Right now, it is urgent that legislators be informed of grass-roots opposition to the consumer tax bills AB 1171 (beer tax increase) and AB 1172 (cigarette and tobacco taxes). The impact of these new consumer levies is almost entirely on the low and middle income groups. They add up to a sizeable wage cut by indirection.

HOUSING STARTS DECREASE BUT TOP JANUARY 1958

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Nonfarm housing starts declined 5 percent in January to 86,000 units, but this total was 27 percent above the January 1958 figure and was close to the 1955 record for January, according to preliminary estimates of the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics. The decrease from December was all in privately owned units begun with Government insured or guaranteed mortgages.



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MINIMUM WAGE LAW FOR ALL POINTED UP BY STRIKING FARM WORKERS

With rates of pay as low as 30 cents an hour for grown men in some instances the urgent need for strong minimum wage laws which include agricultural workers is more clearly indicated than ever by the current strike of field workers in Imperial Valley according to spokesmen for the workers in that area.

The strike by members of United Packinghouse Workers Union, Local No. 78, is now in its fifth week and is in support of the union's demand for payment of packing shed rates on carrot packaging machines in the fields. The union claims machines are actually "a packing shed without a roof."

FAIR EMPLOYMENT BILL PASSES ASSEMBLY

The Fair Employment Practices bill (AB 91) passed the Assembly by a vote of 65-14 without amendment last week, and it is now in the Senate Rules Committee awaiting assignment as is SB 477 (Richards) the companion bill in the Senate.

While the bill sailed handily through the Assembly unamended, it is not expected to meet such smooth going in the Senate. Already there has been offered amendments which would exclude agricultural workers, weaken the Commission either by reducing its number or its budget. Attempts will undoubtedly be made to negotiate proposed amendments to such form as to make the final bill acceptable and assure its final passage. In passing the Assembly all members voted "Aye" except the following who cast "No" votes:

Bradley, Burke, Chapel, Collier, Conrad, Cusanovich, Hegland, Lanterman, Levering, Lowrey, Luckel, Reagan, Shell, and Thelin.

Assemblyman Walter Dahl was absent during the roll call vote but remarked later for the record that had he been present he would have also voted NO.

KENNEDY, MORSE, ROOSEVELT JOIN ON MINIMUM WAGES

A Federal minimum wage of \$1.25 an hour and the extension of wage-hour protection to more than seven million workers now excluded are the objectives of companion bills which

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Prior to the walkout of the field workers on January 29, the union had secured a ruling from Edward F. Hayes, Farm Placement Chief of the Department of Employment, that contract nationals from Mexico could not be used on this job. Such workers were employed on the machine in the Salinas area last fall but, according to Hayes, this was not authorized employment. The union has since requested U. S. Secretary of Labor Mitchell to disqualify Bud, Inc. from using Mexican nationals in any of its operations.

The strike, which began as a spontaneous walkout, is the first agricultural field strike in Imperial Valley in 20 years.

In a statement International Representative Clive Knowles said of the strike: "This strike has brought to light the fact that hundreds of domestic agricultural workers in Imperial Valley are systematically discriminated against so far as opportunities for employment are concerned.

"Rates of pay as low as 30 cents an hour for grown men are not uncommon in the carrot fields.

"While contract nationals from Mexico are employed by the thousands in this county, domestic workers who are referred by the California Farm Placement Service to the Imperial Valley Growers Association are consistently given the hardest work in the fields where braceros are employed and otherwise discriminated against so as to discourage them from seeking further employment in the fields."

HEARINGS

Assembly

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**
***AB 259 Kilpatrick.** Contractor certification. **Good**
***AB 304 Gaffney.** Garnishment of wages. **Good**
***AB 443 Burton.** Jury service. **Good**
***AB 811 Rumford.** Court injunction against improper use of name. **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**
***AB 880 Kilpatrick.** Public Works contracts. **Good**
***AB 680 Dills.** Wage deduction reporting. **Good**
***AB 681 Dills.** Wage deduction reporting. **Good**
***AB 431 Dills.** Sanitary facilities on construction sites. **Good**
***AB 300 Gaffney.** Garnishment of wages. **Good**
***AB 302 Gaffney.** Release of claims for wages. **Good**
***AB 303 Gaffney.** Release of claims for wages. **Good**
AB 877 Miller. Division of Labor Law Enforcement's exemptions. **Watch**

Municipal & County Government, 1.30 pm

- AB 644 Samuel R. Geddes.** Older persons in redevelopment plans. **Good**

March 9th

Civil Service & State Personnel, 1.30 pm

- *AB 207 Dills & Johnson.** Retirement. **Good**
***AB 313 Dills.** Retirement. **Good**
***AB 803 Dills.** Retirement. **Good**
***AB 902 Bane & Geo. E. Brown.** Retirement contributions. **Good**
AB 1059 MacBride et al. Political activities. **Good**
AB 1060 MacBride et al. Overtime. **Watch**

Education, 3.45 pm

- AB 1162 Waldie.** Organization of school employees. **Good**

Transportation & Commerce, 1.30 pm

- AB 988 Belotti.** Unlawfully loaded vehicles. **Good**

March 10th

Government Organization, 1.30 pm

- AB 756 Burton.** Liquor licenses. **Good**
Governmental Efficiency & Economy, 3.45 pm
AB 890 Hawkins. Race discrimination in housing. **Good**
***AB 677 Geo. E. Brown.** Posting of contractors' plans. **Good**
AB 277 Francis. Daylight saving. **Watch**
AB 113 Elliott. Against race restrictions in redevelopment. **Good**
Natural Resources Planning & Public Works, 1.30 pm
***AB 608 Pattee.** Informal bids on state projects. **Good**

March 11th

Education, 3.45 pm

- AB 51 Pattee.** School aid to state impacted areas. **Good**
AB 867 Donahoe. Part time college employees. **Watch**
AB 915 Donahoe. Employment of special lecturers. **Watch**

March 12th

Industrial Relations, 3.45 pm

- AB 1146 Williamson.** Jury duty. **Good**
AB 1147 Williamson. Cashing pay checks. **Good**
AB 1149 Williamson. Weekly paydays. **Good**
***AB 317 Z'berg.** Per diem fringe benefits on public works. **Good**
***AB 318 Z'berg.** Prevailing wage rates. **Good**
***AB 189 Willson.** Deduction of union dues. **Good**
AB 419 Miller. Labor reforms. **Watch**
***AB 479 Elliott.** Cost of uniforms. **Good**
***AB 602 McMillan.** Right to organize local government employees. **Good**
***AB 603 McMillan.** Collective bargaining for utility district employees. **Good**
***AB 618 McMillan.** Firefighters right to join organizations. **Good**
***AB 631 McMillan.** Public employees right to join organization. **Good**
***AB 380 Bane et al.** Employer failure to pay to pension & vacation plan. **Good**
Municipal & County Gov't., 1.30 pm
AB 551 Masterson. Annual vacation. **Good**
AB 552 Masterson. Insurance on dependents. **Good**
AB 1088 Bee. Competitive bidding on contracts. **Watch**
AB 428 Hegland. County employees retirement. **Watch**
Transportation & Commerce, 1.30 pm
AB 472 Samuel R. Geddes. Color of patrol cars. **Watch**

SENATE

March 3rd

- Fish & Game, 1.00 pm**
AB 43 Pattee. Sale of albacore. **Good**

March 4th

- Governmental Efficiency, 9.00 am**
AB 7 Elliott. Interracial marriages. **Good**
Local Government, 1.30 pm
SB 133 Gibson. Raise minimum bid requirements for Vallejo Sanitation and Flood Control district. **Watch**

March 9th

- Revenue & Taxation, 1.00 pm**
SB 130 Coombs. Assessing agricultural property. **Bad**
SCA 2 Coombs. Assessing agricultural property. **Bad**

March 10th

- Business & Professions, 1.30 pm**
SB 75 McCarthy & Farr. Prohibition of outdoor advertising. **Bad**

Fish & Game, 1.00 pm

- SB 450 Erhart.** Game brought in to state. **Watch**
SB 453 Erhart. Fish & Game construction regulations. **Watch**

March 11th

Governmental Efficiency, 9.00 am

- SB 425 Grunsky.** State financial assistance for local water projects. **Bad**
Insurance & Financial Institutions, 1.00 pm
SB 17 Collier. Extension of unemployment benefits. **Watch**
Local Government, 1.30 pm
SB 215 Dolwig. Harbor districts bonded indebtedness. **Watch**

March 12th

Public Health & Safety, 1.00 pm

- SB 8 Short.** Disposal of housing authority property. **Watch**
Judiciary, 10 am
***SB 435 Teale.** Unemployment Insurance. **Good**

MINIMUM WAGE BILLS

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have been introduced in both Houses of Congress by Senator John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.), Senator Wayne Morse (D-Oreg.) and Representative James Roosevelt (D-Calif.).

Inclusion of the additional workers under the bill would be achieved in three ways.

First, the bill would wipe out the 1949 amendment to the Fair Labor Standards Act which eliminated processes and occupations "necessary to the production" of goods. Under the amendment only "producers" and operations "closely related" and "directly essential" to production are covered by the law.

Second, the bill will cover seven new types of enterprises by adopting standards of coverage which are applied by the National Labor Relations Board in deciding whether it has jurisdiction.

Third, the proposed bill removes or modifies the exemption now specifically granted by the law to twelve types of enterprises.

Guide On Wage Exemptions For Seafood Industries Issued

The U.S. Labor Department has issued an interpretative bulletin on Federal wage-hour law exemptions for fisheries and seafood industries.

The publication is intended to serve as a practical guide to employers and employees.

Clarence T. Lundquist, Wage-Hour Administrator, said that copies of the bulletin will be available soon. They may be obtained by writing to the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, U.S. Labor Department, Washington 25, D.C., or from regional offices located in various cities throughout the country.

DIGEST OF BILLS †

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ASSEMBLY BILLS

- AB 1382 Z'berg** (Industrial Relations) Expands the definition of "public work" as used in the provision prohibiting the charging of a fee for registering or assisting persons for Labor Code public work, to include any work done or to be done directly or indirectly for the State or any of its departments, agencies, bureaus or boards. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1384 Hanna** (Finance and Insurance) Provides that an employee who submits to a medical examination regarding a workmen's compensation claim on the request of his employer, the employer's insurance carrier, the IAC, or any commissioner or referee shall receive, in addition to all other benefits, transportation and other expenses and reimbursement for any wage loss. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1385 Hanna** (Finance and Insurance) Makes expenses incurred by Attorney General in defending subsequent injuries fund cases obligations of the General Fund rather than the subsequent injuries fund. Deletes provision authorizing state fund to reimburse itself for cost of services from funds appropriated for payment of additional awards for subsequent injuries. Makes money paid from revolving fund for adjusting services subject to audit by Controller. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1386 Hanna** (Finance and Insurance) Provides that an injured employee shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred for all testimony, as well as X-ray and laboratory fees and medical reports, required to successfully prove a contested workmen's compensation claim. Provides that the employee or dependents of a deceased employee, in any proceeding before the commission, shall be entitled to at least one medical report together with necessary X-rays and laboratory tests as a matter of right, to be paid by the employer. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1388 Hanna** (Finance and Insurance) Provides that in the event of industrial injury the first workmen's compensation payment must be made not later than 14 days after the employee leaves work as a result of the injury and reports the injury to his employer or managing agent. Fixes a \$100 penalty payable to employee for a violation of the requirement. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1389 Hanna** (Finance and Insurance) Requires an employer, at any time prior to the filing of an application or petition with the Industrial Accident Commission regarding a workmen's compensation claim to submit to his employee copies of physicians' reports within 10 days after the receipt of a request made by the employee and thereafter to submit all additional copies within five days after receipt. Provides that any failure to do so constitutes a refusal to furnish treatment. February 16. **Good**
- AB 1399 Hawkins** (Finance and Insurance) Provides for unemployment insurance and unemployment disability insurance coverage for blind and physically handicapped persons employed by the California Industries for the Blind in non-civil-service positions, and for payment of employer and employee contributions out of the California Industries for the Blind Manufacturing Fund also extend coverage to employees of public housing administration agencies, whether operated by state or local governmental agencies. Appropriates the sum of \$16,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Education to administer the provisions pertaining to unemployment insurance for the blind and handicapped. To become operative with respect to wages paid on and after October 1, 1959. February 16. **Good**
- AB 1403 Johnson** (Public Health) Adds Ch. 7.5 (commencing at Sec. 25700), Div. 20, H.&S.C. Establishes in the Office of the Governor, the position of Co-ordinator of Atomic Energy Development and Radiation Protection for the purpose of co-ordinating the activities of state agencies relating to atomic energy development and radiation protection. Creates a Departmental Co-ordinating Committee on Atomic Energy Development and Radiation Protection to assist the co-ordinator. Establishes an Advisory Council on Atomic Energy Development and Radiation Protection, with labor representation, to be appointed by the Governor to advise him on matters relative to atomic energy development and radiation protection. Makes it unlawful to manufacture, construct, produce, transfer, acquire, use, or possess any materials or facilities for which a permit or license is required by the Federal Atomic Energy Act of 1954 without first obtaining such a permit or license. Requires any person possessing a source of radiation to register with the Department of Public Health. February 16. **Good**
- AB 1404 Johnson** (Governmental Efficiency & Economy) Appropriates a blank amount of money from the General Fund for the support of the Office of Atomic Energy Development and Radiation Protection during the 1959-1960 Fiscal Year. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1407 O'Connell** (Criminal Procedure) Specifies that information obtained in manner prohibited by the California wire-tapping statute or in the manner prohibited by Section 653h, relating to use of dictographs, shall be inadmissible in any judicial or administrative proceeding. Makes same provision with respect to Section 653i, relating to interception of communications between a prisoner and his attorney, religious adviser, or physician. Prohibits any person from eavesdropping on or recording, by an electronic or other device, any conversation, without permission of all parties to the conversation, making exception for telephone or telegraph company personnel performing their duties, and makes information obtained in manner prohibited by this provision inadmissible in a judicial or administrative proceeding. February 16. **Good**
- AB 1408 Donahoe** (Education) Authorizes any school district to establish a nursery school for children at least three years old but not old enough for admission to other schools of the district, under standards set by the State Board of Education. Authorizes expenditure of federal funds allocated for such purpose and of district funds, but prohibits additional state aid for nursery schools. Feb. 16. **Good**
- AB 1413 Donahoe** (Education) Provides that provisions of the Education Code providing that a position requires certification qualifications shall be deemed to be illustrative of certificated positions. Declares intent of Legislature that school district governing boards, with approval of the county superintendent of schools, may establish other positions which require certification qualifications. Prescribes qualifications of persons who may be employed in such positions and makes such person eligible for membership in the State Teachers' Retirement System. February 16. **Good**
- AB 1414 Dahl** (Revenue and Taxation) Reduces insurance gross premiums tax to 25% by 1965 in accordance with a statutory schedule in regard to pension and profit-sharing plans underwritten by general insurers and qualified under Internal Revenue Service Code. February 16. **Watch**
- *AB 1415 Thomas** (Civil Service and State Personnel) Requires State Personnel Board to hold a meeting at least once every six months with labor organization representatives in respect to laws and regulations concerning state employees. Requires notice of the meetings to be sent to the representatives. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1416 Thomas** (Industrial Relations) Provides that salaries of all state employees shall be paid at least every two calendar weeks. Permits salaries of persons in each class of position of state civil service to be paid twice each calendar month in equal payments of one twenty-sixth of the total annual salary. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1420 Z'berg** (Civil Service and State Personnel) Provides that the prevailing rates used in fixing the salary limits for laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed hourly or per diem and who come within state civil service shall include payments to health and welfare, vacation holiday, pension and similar funds or programs. February 16. **Good**
- *AB 1421 Brown** (Industrial Relations) Establishes a Fair Labor Standards Act with a minimum wage of \$1.50 per hour and a maximum work-week of 40 hours for men, women and minors. Provides for time and one-half pay for overtime except that work beyond 10 hours a day shall be at double time. Authorizes the Director of Industrial Relations to investigate wages and hours on his own motion or on petition of 20 or more residents of the State, and to issue appropriate orders and regulations prescribing a higher minimum wage rate or a lower maximum number of hours for the employees in any occupation. Specifies that the director shall hold hearings before issuing any such order or regulation. Requires every employer to keep certain records and to post a summary of the provisions of the act in a place accessible to his employees. Provides penalties for violations of provisions of the act and violation of orders and regulations of the director. February 16. **Good**
- AB 1422 Brown** (Governmental Efficiency and Economy) Creates within jurisdiction of California State Board of Architectural Examiners an Interior Designers and Decorators Examining Committee composed of five members appointed for four-year terms by Governor with advice and consent of Senate. Provides for the issuance of licenses after examination to persons meeting specific qualifications. Prohibits unlicensed person on or after January 1, 1960, from holding himself out as an interior designer and decorator. Provides for licensing without examination of persons actively engaged in practice at time this law takes effect. February 16. **Watch**
- AB 1426 O'Connell** (Judiciary—Civil) Permits a warehouseman to notify persons interested in goods upon which he has a lien by means of certified mail as an alternative to using registered mail. February 16. **Watch**
- AB 1427 O'Connell** (Education) Provides that each teacher has the right to inspect all personnel records relating to him, kept by the principal or administrator of a school in which he teaches or has taught, by the

†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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county superintendent of schools or any employee in the office of the superintendent, or by the county board of education, the State Department of Education, or the State Board of Education, or any employee of such boards or department. February 16. **Good**

AB 1430 Hawkins (Government Organization) Prohibits sale or furnishing or consumption of alcoholic beverages, or presence upon public premises, by persons under 18 years, rather than 21 years of age. To become operative upon adoption of a constitutional amendment establishing the age of majority at 18 years. February 16. **Watch**

AB 1432 Hawkins (Government Organization) Prohibits any person from owning or having any interest in more than five offsale general licenses except such licenses in effect on June 30, 1959. February 16. **Good**

AB 1433 Rees (Ways and Means) Abolishes the Fair and Exposition Fund as of July 1, 1960. Provides for the transfer of any money balances

therein at that date to the General Fund. Makes other related changes. Provides for the deposit of all horseracing revenue in the General Fund.

Expands definition of citrus fruit fairs. February 16. **Watch**

AB 1439 Busterud (Government Organization) Provides that provisions prohibiting sale of alcoholic beverages near institutions does not apply to licenses or their transfer to any location with respect to the University of San Francisco and the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco, existing when the enrollment in such institutions increases to exceed 1,000 students and the number of students residing on the campus increases to exceed 500. February 16. **Watch**

AB 1440 Hegland (Education) Provides that governing boards of school districts having an average daily attendance of 200,000 or more pupils, rather than 85,000 or more pupils, shall dismiss probationary employees for cause only. February 16. **Bad**

SENATE BILLS

SB 703 Short (Governmental Efficiency) Deletes the provisions dealing with the formation, hearing and approval of tentative redevelopment plans.

Expands the provisions requiring submission to and consideration by the legislative body of protests and objections to a redevelopment plan prior to its adoption.

Makes it clear that participation in redevelopment projects by the owners of property within redevelopment areas shall be allowed only if found to be practical by the redevelopment agency.

Deletes the provisions allowing interested persons to submit alternate redevelopment plans for project areas, and requiring that the agency give specific consideration to such plans.

Makes other technical changes.

Declares that the act shall be applicable to redevelopment and urban renewal plans or projects commenced after its effective date, or commenced prior to its effective date on which no agency hearing has been held. February 17. **Good**

SB 704 Stiern (Governmental Efficiency) Provides for coverage of members of the State Employees' Retirement System under the Federal Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance program on the divided system basis as provided by the Social Security Act.

Provides for division of the system with respect to state members and those local members who are under the county superintendent of schools' contract with the system. Redefines "policeman" for purpose of determining the scope of members included.

Modifies the formula for determining retirement allowances and contribution rates as to members who are brought under the federal program.

Appropriates necessary funds, and provides procedure, for employee and employer contributions under the federal program.

Provides for suspension of compulsory retirement provisions as to local miscellaneous members during integration proceedings.

Provides for taking of retroactive federal contributions from the State Employees' Retirement Fund for contracting agencies.

Includes forestry, warden, narcotics enforcement, law enforcement, and prison members in state miscellaneous membership classification effective as of action to include such members in the federal program.

Provides in computing retirement allowances upon retirement for service and nonindustrial disability, service of such members after January 1, 1956, deemed to be rendered as miscellaneous service and for purpose of determining contribution rate after such date such members are deemed to have been miscellaneous members throughout their membership.

To take effect immediately, urgency measure. February 17. **Watch**

SB 709 Teale (Insurance & Financial Institutions) Eliminates seven-day unemployment disability insurance benefit waiting period in those cases where an individual incurs disability while unemployed and receiving unemployment compensation benefits. Specifies that unemployment compensation benefits shall be payable on a daily basis for that portion of the week following the day on which the individual's disability terminates in such cases, provided he meets prescribed eligibility requirements. February 17. **Good**

SB 711 Richards (Governmental Efficiency) Eliminates provisions pertaining to the responsibility of relative for the support of recipients of old age assistance.

Provides for transmission of a contribution table to relatives advising them on the basis of their income, as to what would be a proper con-

tribution to the support of the recipient, together with a form in which the relative may indicate the nature of his contribution, if any; such form to be used in determining the recipient's grant. February 17. **Good**

SB 719 Montgomery (Labor) Deletes provision requiring the Industrial Accident Commission to reimburse employers for subsequent injury payments made on awards for injuries due to silicosis where an employer who is jointly liable is outside the jurisdiction of the commission. February 18. **Watch**

SB 720 Montgomery (Labor) Provides that Industrial Accident Commission has continuing jurisdiction over all orders, decisions and awards for additional compensation for subsequent injuries with power to rescind, alter or amend awards. February 18. **Watch**

SB 721 Montgomery (Labor) Provides a period of limitation within which proceedings shall be commenced for collection of additional compensation for subsequent injuries and workmen's compensation. February 18. **Watch**

SB 722 Montgomery (Labor) Provides that for eligibility for workmen's compensation award from the subsequent injuries fund for permanent disability from an injury to a hand, arm, foot, leg, or eye where a previous injury had affected the opposite member, the later permanent disability must be equal to 20 percent or more of the total disability.

Requires reduction of an award for subsequent injuries by the amount which the employee is receiving under any temporary disability indemnity.

Continues Sections 4751 and 4753 in effect after 91st day after final adjournment of the 1959 Regular Session. February 18. **Bad**

SB 723 Holmdahl (Rules) Specifies that discrimination in employment because of age by an employer, labor organization, or employment agency shall be subject to the same restrictions as set forth in the California Fair Employment Practice Act as proposed by S.B. 477 applying to discrimination based on race, religious creed, color, national origin, or ancestry.

To be operative only if S.B. 477 is enacted by the Legislature at the 1959 Regular Session. February 18. **Watch**

SB 729 Dolwig (Transportation) Authorizes the California Toll Bridge Authority to collect tolls on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge pending the financing of an additional crossing of San Francisco Bay between San Francisco or San Mateo County and Alameda County, or San Francisco and Marin County, at substantially the same rates as were in effect January 1, 1955. Provides for investment of surplus revenues. February 18. **Watch**

SB 732 Thompson (Business and Professions) Provides for the certification and regulation of psychiatric technicians by the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of California. February 18. **Watch**

SCA 8 Dilworth (Revenue and Taxation) Authorizes the voters of any county by initiative petition to present an ordinance to the board of supervisors of such county to limit the amount of taxes to be raised by such county.

Prescribes the procedure to be followed in the adoption and repeal of such ordinance. Permits the inclusion in such ordinance of a provision to permit the board of supervisors to submit a proposition to the voters at a general election that the ordinance be suspended for two years or that the ordinance be modified for such period. February 11. **Watch**