

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2033

As Passed House:

March 8, 2007

Title: An act relating to payroll deductions for retiree organization dues.

Brief Description: Authorizing payroll deductions for retiree organization dues.

Sponsors: By Representatives Ormsby, Campbell, Fromhold, Haigh, Armstrong, P. Sullivan, Conway, Green, Kagi, Hunt, McIntire, McDermott, McCoy, Buri, Williams, Miloscia, Linville, Moeller, DeBolt, McDonald, Priest, Condotta, Roberts and Simpson.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

State Government & Tribal Affairs: 2/20/07, 2/21/07 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 3/8/07, 96-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Allows payroll deductions for retiree organization dues and voluntary contributions to any funds, committees, or subsidiary organizations maintained by retiree organizations.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT & TRIBAL AFFAIRS

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 7 members: Representatives Hunt, Chair; Appleton, Vice Chair; Armstrong, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Green, McDermott, Miloscia and Ormsby.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 2 members: Representatives Chandler, Ranking Minority Member and Kretz.

Staff: Alison Hellberg (786-7152).

Background:

So long as they meet certain requirements, state employees may request payroll deductions for the following:

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- credit union payments;
- parking fee payments;
- U.S. savings bond payments;
- deductions for board, lodging, or uniforms, when furnished by the state;
- membership dues and other fees to professional organizations;
- insurance contributions for payment of premiums under contracts authorized by the state Health Care Authority;
- deductions to a bank, savings bank, or savings and loan association; and
- contributions to the Washington State Combined Fund Drive.

Deductions for labor or employee organization dues and voluntary employee contributions to any funds, committees, or subsidiary organizations maintained by labor or employee organizations may be made if a payroll deduction is not provided under a collective bargaining agreement.

Summary of Bill:

Deductions for retiree organization dues and voluntary contributions to any funds, committees, or subsidiary organizations maintained by retiree organizations may be made if a payroll deduction is not provided under a collective bargaining agreement.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) This bill is a continuation of last year's HB 2780. It authorizes payroll deductions for retiree organizations at the same level as labor and employee organizations.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: (In support) Representative Ormsby, prime sponsor; and Bev Hermanson, Retired Public Employees of Washington.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.