

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Avakian, Beyer, Gordly, Monroe, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Anna Braun, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	5/09, 5/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Prohibits the use of state funds to assist, promote or deter union organizing. Includes entities that contract with the state. Requires rulemaking including record-keeping. Authorizes civil legal action. Requires notice to the Bureau of Labor and Industries prior to legal action. Authorizes civil penalty of three times the amount of funds expended in violation. Declares emergency, takes effect July 1, 2007.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: HB 2892 establishes the State Financial Accountability Act. The purpose of the act is to “maintain the neutrality of the state in labor organizing by forbidding the use of state funds for unintended purposes and to conserve state resources by ensuring that state funds are used as intended.” The measure establishes that state contracts, recipients of a grant of state funds, or employers conducting business on state property pursuant to a state government contract or concession agreement may not use the funds or state property to assist, promote, or deter union organizing.