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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3342

1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 2, after "ORS" insert "243.672, 243.676 2 and".

3 In line 5, delete "2 and 3" and insert "3 and 4".

4 After line 6, insert:

5 "SECTION 2. Section 4 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part 6 of ORS 243.650 to 243.782.".

7 In line 7, delete "2" and insert "3".

8 In line 14, delete "3" and insert "4".

9 Delete lines 17 through 26.

10 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 43 and insert:

11 "<u>SECTION 4.</u> (1) As used in this section:

"(a) 'Assist, promote or deter union organizing' means any attempt
 by a public employer to influence the decision of any or all of its em ployees or the employees of its subcontractors regarding:

"(A) Whether to support or oppose a labor organization that re presents or seeks to represent those employees; or

17 "(B) Whether to become a member of any labor organization.

(b) 'Public funds' means moneys drawn from the State Treasury or any special or trust fund of the state government, including any moneys appropriated by the state government and transferred to any public body, as defined in ORS 174.109, and any other moneys under the control of a public official by virtue of office. "(c) 'Public property' means any real property or facility owned or
leased by a public employer.

3 "(2) A public employer may not:

4 "(a) Use public funds to support actions to assist, promote or deter
5 union organizing; or

6 "(b) Discharge, demote, harass or otherwise take adverse action 7 against any individual because the individual seeks to enforce this 8 section or testifies, assists or participates in any manner in an inves-9 tigation, hearing or other proceeding to enforce this section.

"(3) If an employee requests the opinion of the employee's employer
 or supervisor about union organizing, nothing in this section prohibits
 the employer or supervisor from responding to the request of the em ployee.

"(4) This section does not apply to an activity performed, or to an
 expense incurred, in connection with:

"(a) Addressing a grievance or negotiating or administering a col lective bargaining agreement.

"(b) Allowing a labor organization or its representatives access to
 the public employer's facilities or property.

"(c) Performing an activity required by federal or state law or by
 a collective bargaining agreement.

"(d) Negotiating, entering into or carrying out an agreement with
 a labor organization.

"(e) Paying wages to a represented employee while the employee is
 performing duties if the payment is permitted under a collective bar gaining agreement.

"(5)(a) This section shall be enforced by the Employment Relations
Board, which shall adopt rules necessary to implement and administer
compliance. A resident of this state may intervene as a plaintiff in any
action brought under this section.

1 "(b) Nothing in this section prohibits a public employer from 2 spending public funds for the purpose of representing the public em-3 ployer in a proceeding before the board or in a judicial review of that 4 proceeding.

"SECTION 5. A petition for representation filed under ORS 243.682  $\mathbf{5}$ (2) alleging that a majority of employees in the unit appropriate for 6 the purpose of collective bargaining wish to be represented by a labor 7 organization for that purpose must include a statement of a desire by 8 the employees to be represented for the purpose of collective bargain-9 ing and must be signed and dated by 30 percent of the employees in 10 the unit during the 180 days prior to the filing of the petition with the 11 **Employment Relations Board.** 12

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"SECTION 6. ORS 243.672 is amended to read:

"243.672. (1) It is an unfair labor practice for a public employer or its
 designated representative to do any of the following:

"(a) Interfere with, restrain or coerce employees in or because of the exercise of rights guaranteed in ORS 243.662.

"(b) Dominate, interfere with or assist in the formation, existence or ad-ministration of any employee organization.

"(c) Discriminate in regard to hiring, tenure or any terms or condition 20of employment for the purpose of encouraging or discouraging membership 21in an employee organization. Nothing in this section is intended to prohibit 22the entering into of a fair-share agreement between a public employer and 23the exclusive bargaining representative of its employees. If a 'fair-share' 24agreement has been agreed to by the public employer and exclusive repre-25sentative, nothing prohibits the deduction of the payment-in-lieu-of-dues from 26the salaries or wages of the employees. 27

"(d) Discharge or otherwise discriminate against an employee because the
employee has signed or filed an affidavit, petition or complaint or has given
information or testimony under ORS 243.650 to 243.782.

1 "(e) Refuse to bargain collectively in good faith with the exclusive rep-2 resentative.

"(f) Refuse or fail to comply with any provision of ORS 243.650 to 243.782. "(g) Violate the provisions of any written contract with respect to employment relations including an agreement to arbitrate or to accept the terms of an arbitration award, where previously the parties have agreed to accept arbitration awards as final and binding upon them.

8 "(h) Refuse to reduce an agreement, reached as a result of collective9 bargaining, to writing and sign the resulting contract.

## <sup>10</sup> "(i) Violate section 4 (2) of this 2013 Act.

"(2) Subject to the limitations set forth in this subsection, it is an unfair labor practice for a public employee or for a labor organization or its designated representative to do any of the following:

"(a) Interfere with, restrain or coerce any employee in or because of the
exercise of any right guaranteed under ORS 243.650 to 243.782.

"(b) Refuse to bargain collectively in good faith with the public employer
 if the labor organization is an exclusive representative.

"(c) Refuse or fail to comply with any provision of ORS 243.650 to 243.782.
"(d) Violate the provisions of any written contract with respect to employment relations, including an agreement to arbitrate or to accept the terms of an arbitration award, where previously the parties have agreed to accept arbitration awards as final and binding upon them.

"(e) Refuse to reduce an agreement, reached as a result of collective bargaining, to writing and sign the resulting contract.

"(f) For any labor organization to engage in unconventional strike activity not protected for private sector employees under the National Labor Relations Act on June 6, 1995. This provision applies to sitdown, slowdown, rolling, intermittent or on-and-off again strikes.

(g) For a labor organization or its agents to picket or cause, induce, or encourage to be picketed, or threaten to engage in such activity, at the res-

idence or business premises of any individual who is a member of the gov-1 erning body of a public employer, with respect to a dispute over a collective  $\mathbf{2}$ bargaining agreement or negotiations over employment relations, if an ob-3 jective or effect of such picketing is to induce another person to cease doing 4 business with the governing body member's business or to cease handling,  $\mathbf{5}$ transporting or dealing in goods or services produced at the governing body's 6 business. For purposes of this paragraph, a member of the Legislative As-7 sembly is a member of the governing body of a public employer when the 8 collective bargaining negotiation or dispute is between the State of Oregon 9 and a labor organization. The Governor and other statewide elected officials 10 are not considered members of a governing body for purposes of this para-11 graph. Nothing in this paragraph may be interpreted or applied in a manner 12that violates the right of free speech and assembly as protected by the Con-13 stitution of the United States or the Constitution of the State of Oregon. 14

"(3) An injured party may file a written complaint with the Employment 15Relations Board not later than 180 days following the occurrence of an un-16 fair labor practice. For each unfair labor practice complaint filed, a fee of 17 \$300 is imposed. For each answer to an unfair labor practice complaint filed 18 with the board, a fee of \$300 is imposed. The board may allow any other 19 person to intervene in the proceeding and to present testimony. A person 20allowed to intervene shall pay a fee of \$300 to the board. The board may, in 21its discretion, order fee reimbursement to the prevailing party in any case 22in which the complaint or answer is found to have been frivolous or filed in 23bad faith. The board shall deposit fees received under this section to the 24credit of the Employment Relations Board Administrative Account. 25

## <sup>26</sup> "SECTION 7. ORS 243.676 is amended to read:

"243.676. (1) Whenever a written complaint is filed alleging that any person has engaged in or is engaging in any unfair labor practice listed in ORS
243.672 (1) and (2) and 243.752, the Employment Relations Board or its agent
shall:

1 "(a) Cause to be served upon such person a copy of the complaint;

"(b) Investigate the complaint to determine if a hearing on the unfair labor practice charge is warranted. If the investigation reveals that no issue
of fact or law exists, the board may dismiss the complaint; and

5 "(c) Set the matter for hearing if the board finds in its investigation made 6 pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection that an issue of fact or law ex-7 ists. The hearing shall be before the board or an agent of the board not more 8 than 20 days after a copy of the complaint has been served on the person.

9 "(2) Where, as a result of the hearing required pursuant to subsection 10 (1)(c) of this section, the board finds that any person named in the complaint 11 has engaged in or is engaging in any unfair labor practice charged in the 12 complaint, the board shall:

13 "(a) State its findings of fact;

"(b) Issue and cause to be served on such person an order that the person
cease and desist from the unfair labor practice;

"(c) Take such affirmative action, including but not limited to the reinstatement of employees with or without back pay, as necessary to effectuate
the purposes of ORS 240.060, 240.065, 240.080, 240.123, 243.650 to 243.782,
292.055 and 341.290;

"(d) Designate the amount and award representation costs, if any, to the
 prevailing party; and

"(e) Designate the amount and award attorney fees, if any, to the prevailing party on appeal, including proceedings for Supreme Court review, of
a board order.

"(3) Where the board finds that the person named in the complaint has
not engaged in or is not engaging in an unfair labor practice, the board
shall:

<sup>28</sup> "(a) Issue an order dismissing the complaint; and

29 "(b) Designate the amount and award representation costs, if any, to the 30 prevailing party. "(4)(a) The board may award a civil penalty to any person as a result of an unfair labor practice complaint hearing, in the aggregate amount of up to \$1,000 per case, without regard to attorney fees, if:

4 "[(a)] (A) The complaint has been affirmed pursuant to subsection (2) of 5 this section and the board finds that the person who has committed, or who 6 is engaging, in an unfair labor practice has done so repetitively, knowing 7 that the action taken was an unfair labor practice and took the action dis-8 regarding this knowledge, or that the action constituting the unfair labor 9 practice was egregious; or

"[(b)] (**B**) The complaint has been dismissed pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, and that the complaint was frivolously filed, or filed with the intent to harass the other person, or both.

"(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, if the board
finds that a public employer named in the complaint violated section
4 (2) of this 2013 Act, the board shall impose a civil penalty equal to
triple the amount of funds the public employer expended to assist,
promote or deter union organizing.

"(5) As used in subsections (1) to (4) of this section, 'person' includes but
is not limited to individuals, labor organizations, associations and public
employers.".

In line 44, delete "4" and insert "8".

On page 4, line 18, delete "5" and insert "9" and delete "4" and insert "8".

In line 21, delete "6" and insert "10".

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