Representative Rayfield

FULL COMMITTEE PONY

HB 4086

Relating to unemployment benefits of individuals who are unemployed due to lockouts

On February 23rd, the Education Subcommittee voted to recommend passage of HB 4086.

The bill provides an additional twenty-six weeks of Unemployment Insurance benefits for lockout workers in an amount equal to the individuals most recent unemployment claim.

The bill permits the retroactive payment of temporary lockout benefits to individuals in a lockout if weekly benefits are claimed by the individual within 60 days of passage of this legislation.

If provisions of the bill are determined to be uncompliant with the requirements of the Social Security Act or the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, then the legislation will be considered null and the Director of the Oregon Employment Department will be required to notify Legislative Counsel that such a determination has been made.

There is no Other Fund expenditure limitation provided in the bill, and the Employment Department is directed to carry out the provisions of the bill using existing budgetary resources.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 4086 be reported out do pass.