

More than 55,000 public workers, care providers, and non-profit employees in Oregon.

## SEIU Local 503 supports SB 712

SEIU Local 503 represents 65,000 workers in Oregon and nearly 30,000 workers that receive PERS as their retirement. We have been involved in many hearings regarding PERS this session and we believe bills that make the system work better for the workers it is created for, are important parts of the overall conversation.

SB 712 is about fairness. If a worker has to leave their job because of an on-the-job injury and receives worker's compensation for the injury, they should be able to count that time as time vesting in their pension. This only impacts workers that are able to come back to public employment after their injury. It is simple way to make sure that workers that get injured on the job don't get set back further than their injury already sets them.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, we hope you will pass SB 712.