

House Bill 2263

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Increases fee from \$500 to \$625 for third mediation session conducted by mediator assigned by Employment Relations Board to resolve labor dispute or labor controversy. Decreases fee from \$750 to \$625 for fourth mediation session. Allows board to establish fees for providing labor relations and negotiation training.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to fees charged by the Employment Relations Board; amending ORS 240.610.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 240.610 is amended to read:

240.610. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 662.435, when the Employment Relations Board assigns a mediator under ORS 243.712 or 662.425 to resolve a labor dispute or labor controversy between a local public employer and the exclusive representative of the public employees of that employer, the board may charge a fee for the mediation services provided by the board. The local public employer and the exclusive representative shall each pay one-half of the amount of the fee to the board.

(2) Notwithstanding any other law, the fee charged by the board under this section may not exceed:

- (a) \$1,000 for the first two mediation sessions;
- (b) ~~[\$500]~~ **\$625** for the third mediation session;
- (c) ~~[\$750]~~ **\$625** for the fourth mediation session; and
- (d) \$1,000 for each additional mediation session.

(3) Notwithstanding any other law, in addition to fees for mediation services, the board may establish fees for **providing labor relations and negotiation** training [*in interest-based problem solving*]. The fees are not subject to the provisions of subsection (2) of this section.

(4) Fees received by the board under this section shall be deposited to the credit of the Employment Relations Board Administrative Account.

(5) As used in this section:

(a) "Exclusive representative" and "labor dispute" have the meanings given those terms in ORS 243.650.

(b) "Local public employer" means any political subdivision in this state, including a city, county, community college, school district, special district and a public and quasi-public corporation.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.