

Atiyeh gets increase in salary

SALEM (UPI) — Gov. Vic Atiyeh is among some 22,000 state employees who received salary raises in their paychecks Monday, but the governor's 6 percent boost still has him far down in the ranks of salaries paid to state officials.

The governor's new salary of \$55,423 a year puts him only 67th-highest among state officials.

At the head of the list is Dr. Leonard Laster, president of Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland, who is paid \$89,136 annually.

The pay increases showing up Monday in paychecks for about two-thirds of the state work force are not really

considered new raises. They are part of a \$30 million-a-year salary restoration package approved by the Legislature for employees who took pay cuts to help last year's state budget deficit.

The governor's salary also is superceded by a host of university deans and some of his own state administrators. Even the governor's executive assistant, Gerry Thompson, is paid more than her boss. Her new salary is \$61,116 a year.

However, Secretary of State Norma Paulus and Treasurer Clay Myers do not earn enough to make the list.

Following Laster on the list of the top paid officials are: Dr. Robert Neerh-

out, interim dean Oregon Health Sciences University School of Medicine, \$84,044; Dr. Donald Kassebaum, OHSU Hospital director, \$78,186; Bud Davis, chancellor, State System of Higher Education, \$75,005; Dr. Louis Terkla, dean OHSU School of Dentistry, \$74,152; Paul Olum, president, University of Oregon; Robert MacVicar, president Oregon State University, and Joseph Blumel, president Portland State University, all \$72,528; and Dr. Joe Treleven, administrator of the state Mental Health Division, Dr. J.D. Bray, assistant administrator of the Mental Health Division and Dr. William Brady, state medical examiner, all \$70,764.