

55th LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
STATE OF OREGON
Regular Session
January 13 to May 23, 1969

STATISTICAL SUMMARY
With Comparative Tables

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PREFACE

For several years the Legislative Counsel's staff has tabulated statistics of certain aspects of legislative activity during sessions of the Legislative Assembly. This report presents, in tabular form, a statistical summary of that activity during the 1969 regular session and compares it with similar activity during the 1963, 1965 and 1967 regular sessions.

Some of the totals and percentages in the tables were reconciled when there were discrepancies in the source materials. However, no such adjustment was of a significant nature.

Table 1. Action on All Measures -- 1969

	<u>HOUSE</u>	<u>SENATE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>BILLS</u>			
Introduced	1004	550	1554
Passed	487	223	710
Filed Without Signature of Governor	0	0	0
Vetoed	2	0	2
Became Law	485*	223	708*
 <u>RESOLUTIONS AND MEMORIALS</u>			
Introduced	101	59	160
(Constitutional Amendments)	(30)	(15)	(45)
Adopted	46	32	78
(Constitutional Amendments)	(12)	(2)	(14)

*Includes Chapter 208, O.L. 1969 (HB 1225), vetoed in part.

Table 2. Disposition of Bills -- 1967 and 1969

1967

<u>HOUSE</u>		<u>SENATE</u>
906	Total Bills	556
40%	Died in Committee	49%
60%	Approved by Committee	51%
1%	Rejected by Body of Origin	2%
59%	Passed by Body of Origin	49%
<u>Senate Bills</u>		<u>House Bills</u>
Passed by House - 80%	←	80% - Passed by Senate
Failed to Pass House - 20%		20% - Failed to Pass Senate

1969

<u>HOUSE</u>		<u>SENATE</u>
1004	Total Bills	550
41%	Died in Committee	49%
59%	Approved by Committee	51%
-1%	Rejected by Body of Origin	1%
58%	Passed by Body of Origin	50%
<u>Senate Bills</u>		<u>House Bills</u>
Passed by House - 82%	←	83% - Passed by Senate
Failed to Pass House - 18%		17% - Failed to Pass Senate

Table 3. Types of Measures Introduced -- 1963, 1965, 1967 and 1969

	<u>1963</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1969</u>
<u>HOUSE</u>				
Appropriation Bills	105	105	110	108
Other Bills	865	863	796	896
Joint Resolutions (Constitutional Amendments)	44 (17)	61 (15)	57 (22)	56 (30)
Concurrent Resolutions	10	20	7	17
Resolutions	6	2	2	3
Joint Memorials	26	26	20	25
Memorials	1	1	0	0
<u>SENATE</u>				
Bills	443	419	556	550
Joint Resolutions (Constitutional Amendments)	29 (8)	31 (9)	38 (19)	29 (15)
Concurrent Resolutions	17	17	12	16
Resolutions	8	3	3	3
Joint Memorials	9	8	9	11
Memorials	1	0	0	0
<u>HOUSE AND SENATE</u>				
Bills	1413	1387	1462	1554
Resolutions and Memorials	151	169	148	160

Table 4. Action on Bills -- 1963, 1965, 1967 and 1969

	<u>1963</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1969</u>
<u>HOUSE</u>				
Introduced	970	968	906	1004
Passed Both Houses	443	436	425	487
Vetoed	5	5	6	2
Became Law	438	431*	419	485**
<u>SENATE</u>				
Introduced	443	419	556	550
Passed Both Houses	211	206	220	223
Vetoed	4	3	1	0
Became Law	207	203	219	223
<u>HOUSE AND SENATE</u>				
Introduced	1413	1387	1462	1554
Passed Both Houses	656	642	645	710
Vetoed	9	8	7	2
Became Law	645	634*	638	708**

*Includes chapter 634, O.L. 1965 (HB) 2044), vetoed in part.

**Includes chapter 208, O.L. 1969 (HB 1225), vetoed in part.

Table 5. Committee Workloads (Number of Bill Referrals) -- 1967 and 1969*

HOUSE		STANDING COMMITTEES	SENATE	
1967	1969		1967	1969
3.1%	2.1%	Agriculture	3.8%	4.9%
**	**	Air & Water Quality Control	2.1	1.7
**	**	Alcoholic Control	2.9	0.9
**	**	Commerce & Utilities	0.7	2.8
5.8	5.7	Education	7.4	7.7
5.5	4.6	Elections & Reapportionment; Elections	4.4	4.3
3.3	3.6	Financial Affairs	4.8	5.6
2.6	1.8	Fish & Game	3.2	4.3
6.3	[3.6 - 1.5]	Health & Welfare	4.1	2.3
4.5	4.2	Highways	6.6	6.1
12.3	10.1	Judiciary	18.6	13.3
5.1	5.4	Labor & Management; Labor & Industries	4.5	3.4
5.6	4.4	Local Government	8.8	6.6
**	**	Military Affairs	1.9	0.6
2.8	4.0	Natural Resources	0.4	0.3
3.4	1.6	Planning & Development	0.3	0.6
**	**	Public Buildings & Institutions	1.0	0.3
0.3	0.2	Rules & Resolutions	1.0	0.5
6.9	11.2	State & Federal Affairs	5.1	10.7
7.9	12.0	Taxation	8.8	8.8
**	1.6	Urban Affairs	**	**
24.6	22.4	Ways & Means (Joint)	9.6	14.8

*Figures are based on all bill referrals, initial and subsequent, in the house of origin. In 1967 there were 1026 referrals in the House and 643 in the Senate. In 1969 there were 653 referrals in the Senate and 1148 in the House.

**No comparable committees.

***Senate Special Committee on Constitutional Revisions & Governmental Reorganization handled 0.5% of the Senate measures in 1969.

Table 6. Committee Action on Bills in House of Origin -- 1967 and 1969

<u>1967</u>			
<u>ACTION</u>	<u>HOUSE %</u>	<u>SENATE %</u>	
Recommended Do Pass	19.8	20.5	
Recommended Do Pass As Amended	44.6	34.4	
Tabled or Died in Committee	34.6	41.3	
Other Action*	<u>1.0</u>	<u>3.8</u>	
	100.0%	100.0%	
	(1028)**	(643)**	
<u>1969</u>			
<u>ACTION</u>	<u>HOUSE %</u>	<u>SENATE %</u>	
Recommended Do Pass	20.5	23.5	
Recommended Do Pass As Amended	41.0	32.1	
Tabled or Died in Committee	36.0	41.2	
Other Action*	<u>2.5</u>	<u>3.2</u>	
	100.0%	100.0%	
	(1148)**	(654)**	

*Recommendation may be to refer to another committee or bill may be reported out without recommendation as to passage.

**Numbers used in computing percentages are based on the total number of initial and subsequent referrals to committees in the house of origin. Thus, a bill may be counted more than once.

Table 7. Introduction of Bills by Weeks of Sessions

Wks.	<u>HOUSE BILLS</u>		<u>SENATE BILLS</u>		<u>TOTAL BILLS</u>	
	1967	1969	1967	1969	1967	1969
1st	130 (14.3)*	100 (9.6)	3 (0.5)*	37 (6.7)	133 (9.1)*	137 (8.8)
2nd	88 (24.1)	88 (18.7)	99 (18.3)	48 (15.5)	187 (21.2)	136 (17.6)
3rd	120 (37.0)	84 (27.0)	74 (31.6)	77 (29.5)	194 (35.2)	161 (27.9)
4th	74 (45.5)	111 (38.2)	65 (43.3)	57 (39.8)	139 (44.6)	168 (38.7)
5th	87 (55.1)	111 (49.2)	62 (54.5)	56 (50.0)	149 (54.9)	167 (49.5)
6th**	134 (69.9)	183 (67.4)	79 (68.7)	89 (66.2)	213 (69.4)	272 (67.0)
7th	150 (86.4)	127 (80.0)	96 (86.0)	68 (78.5)	246 (86.6)	195 (79.5)
8th**	79 (95.1)	71 (87.1)	35 (92.2)	60 (89.5)	114 (93.3)	131 (88.0)
9th - 14th	30 (98.5)	110 (98.8)	31 (97.9)	44 (97.5)	61 (98.3)	154 (97.9)
15th - 19th	14 (100%)	19 (100%)	12 (100%)	14 (100%)	26 (100%)	33 (100%)

*Cumulative percentages shown in parentheses

**The sixth week included the 36th calendar day, and the eighth week included the 50th calendar day. These days are significant under the rules of both houses establishing deadlines for introduction.

Table 8. Drafting Activity of Office of Legislative Council

<u>Number of Introduced Measures Drafted by LCC</u>		<u>851</u> (812)*
House Bills	<u>451</u> (430)	
Senate Bills	<u>303</u> (297)	
Other House Measures	<u>57</u> (52)	
Other Senate Measures	<u>36</u> (33)	
<u>Measures Which Passed Drafted by LCC</u>		<u>351</u> (289)
House Bills	<u>182</u> (151)	
Senate Bills	<u>123</u> (103)	
Other House Bill Measures	<u>30</u> (23)	
Other Senate Bill Measures	<u>16</u> (12)	
<u>Amendments Drafted by LCC</u>		<u>681</u> (800)
LCC drafts	<u>493</u> (510)	
Other Drafts Amended	<u>191</u> (290)	

*Parenthetical figure is number from 1967 regular session.

Table 9. Length of Legislative Sessions - 1943 to 1969

Year	Convened	Adjourned	Number of Days*
1943	January 11	March 10	59
1945	January 8	March 17	69
1947	January 13	April 5	83
1949	January 10	April 16	97
1951	January 8	May 3	116
1953	January 12	April 21	100
1955	January 10	May 4	115
1957	January 14	May 21	128
1957 SS	October 28	November 15	19
1959	January 12	May 6	115
1961	January 9	May 10	122
1963	January 14	June 3	141
1963 SS	November 11	December 2	22
1965	January 11	May 14	124
1965 SS	May 21	May 25	5
1967	January 9	June 14	157
1967 SS	October 30	November 21	23
1969	January 13	May 23	131

*Total number of days within period from convening to adjournment, including, during the 1963 special session, a 9-day recess following the death of President Kennedy. Ordinarily each house meets on Mondays through Fridays of each week during a session.

SS Special Session

