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PROFILE OF THE
1977 OREGON LEGISLATURE



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INTRODUCTION

Legislative Research was requested to compile a statistical profile of the 1977 Oregon Legislature. This report presents comparative data on the 1971, 1973, 1975 and 1977 legislatures and includes age, place of birth, education, occupation, party affiliation and prior legislative experience. This information has been tabulated in the Appendix and is summarized below.

PARTY AFFILIATION

The Democratic Party maintained their majority in the 1977 Legislature, gaining one seat in the Senate and losing one seat in the House. In the Senate, the Democrats hold 24 seats to 6 for the Republicans. Democrats in the House outnumber Republicans 37 to 23.

AGE

The difference in the average age of the traditionally "older" Senate and "younger" House has narrowed to less than one year. The average Senator in 1977 will be younger than in previous years. His average age will be 43, down from 52 in 1971 and 46 in 1975. House members will also be younger with an average age of 42.6 years. The range in ages is similar. The youngest Senator will be 29, the oldest 66. The youngest House member will be 25, the oldest also 66.

PLACE OF BIRTH

Fewer members of the 1977 Legislature were born in Oregon than in any of the previous four sessions. In the Senate, 40% of the Senators were born in Oregon. In the House, 50% of the Representatives were born in the state.

COLLEGE EDUCATION

While the Senate has shown an increase in elected representatives with college degrees, the House has shown a decrease. The 1977 Senate will have 83% with a college degree, up from 73% in 1975 and 67% in 1971. An additional 10% have attended college without gaining a degree.

In the House, 55% of the Representatives have college degrees, down from 58% in 1975 and 77% in 1971. An additional 25% have done some college work while 20% have not pursued a postsecondary education.

OCCUPATIONS

The majority of Senators in the 1977 Legislature will be professionals (53%) including educators (17%) and attorneys (20%). This is an increase over the last three sessions from 43% in 1973 and 50% in 1975. The number of Senators who classify themselves as businessmen has declined from 53% in 1973 to 40% for the 1977 Session. Senators involved in agriculture and ranching also declined from 17% in 1975 to 10% in 1977.

The House maintains a majority of members in the business field (40%). This is an increase over last session (35%) but less than in 1971 (45%). In the professional fields there has been a decrease from 35% in 1975 to 27% in 1977, including educators (10%) and attorneys (10%). Agriculture and "other" fields have remained constant. The "other" category includes those who classify themselves as "housewife" or "homemaker". They constitute 12% of the House and, of these "homemakers", 57% have college degrees.

PRIOR LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE

The 1977 Legislature will have a higher percentage of members with prior legislative experience than the 1975 Legislature. In 1977, 93% of the Senate and 73% of the House will have served previously. The 1977 Senator will average 4.6 sessions experience and the house member 2.3 sessions.

WOMEN

Women represent 10% of the Senate, the same as in 1975 and up from 1973 (7%). The House has 15% female representation, an increase from 1975 (13%).

APPENDIX A

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	1977		1975		1973		1971	
	Senate	House	Senate	House	Senate	House	Senate	House
PARTY AFFILIATION								
1. Democrat	24	37	22	38	18	33	16	26
2. Republican	6	23	7	22	12	27	14	34
3. Independent	0 ⁽¹⁾	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
AGE								
4. Average age	43	42.6	46	43	50	43	52	46
5. Range of ages	29-66	25-66	27-64	23-76	32-76	23-74	34-74	24-72
6. Oregon birth	40%	50%	40%	52%	57%	58%	50%	55%
OCCUPATIONS								
7. College graduate	83%	55%	73%	58%	73%	65%	67%	77%
8. Professional	53%	27%	50%	35%	43%	28%	47%	40%
9. Business/Industry	40%	40%	47%	35%	53%	43%	47%	45%
10. Agriculture/Ranching	10%	11%	17%	13%	13%	12%	10%	10%
11. Other	3%	27%	3%	27%	3%	22%	3%	17%

(Some legislators have more than one occupation)

¹State Senator elected as Independent, changed to Democratic Party affiliation.

APPENDIX A (continued)

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	1977		1975		1973		1971	
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LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE								
12. Members with prior legislative experience	28	44	24	41	29	33	28	39
13. Percent with prior experience	93%	73%	80%	68%	97%	55%	93%	65%
14. Average number of sessions per experienced member	4.6	2.3	4.8	2.1	4.5	2.8	4.6	3.0
WOMEN								
15. Percent of women in Legislature	10%	15%	10%	13%	7%	15%	7%	8%



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December 2, 1976

TO: House Minority Office
FROM: Legislative Research Office
RE: Highest State Salaries

As per your request, attached is a listing of the top salaried Oregon state employees as compiled by the Personnel Division, Compensation Services, indicating position, individual holding the position, and respective annual salary.

While you requested the top 20 paid positions, the list includes the top 22 salaried positions in order to place the Governor's salary among them as you requested.

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As of October 6, 1976
Annual Salary Only

1.	President, Health Sciences Center	L. Bluemle	\$59,400
2.	Chancellor, Higher Education	R. Lieuallen	50,400
3.	Chief Medical Investigator	W. Brady	48,432
4.	Administrator, Mental Health	J. Bray	48,432
5.	Asst. Mental Health Administrator	D. Kole	48,432
6.	Asst. Mental Health Administrator	J. Pomeroy	48,432
7.	President, Portland State University	J. Blumel	48,300
8.	President, Oregon State University	R. MacVicar	48,300
9.	President, University of Oregon	W. Boyd	48,300
10.	State Health Officer	E. Press	46,128
11.	Director, Department of Transportation	R. Burco	43,932
12.	State Highway Administrator	F. Klaboe	43,932
13.	Superintendent, Dammasch Hospital	R. Guiss	43,932
14.	Superintendent, Oregon State Hospital	D. Brooks	43,932
15.	Public Health Physician 5 (Board Eligible)	C. Jenike	43,932
16.	Public Health Physician 5 (Board Eligible)	J. Googins	43,932
17.	Clinical Director (Board Eligible)	J. Baxter	43,932
18.	Clinical Director (Board Eligible)	R. Johnson	43,932
19.	Clinical Director (Board Eligible)	J. Treleaven	43,932
20.	Clinical Director (Board Eligible)	A. Sheff	43,932
21.	Clinical Director (Board Eligible)	G. Suckow	43,932
22.	Governor	R. Straub	42,350

No. The State of Oregon has an unclassified title of Consulting Physician with an annual salary range of \$46,128 to \$58,872 and 12 incumbents. However, all incumbents are part-time and therefore receive only a pro-rata portion of the established salary.

Enrolled

House Joint Resolution II

Introduced by Representatives PECK, GALLAGHER, GROENER, HOWARD, HOYT, KENNEDY, LENT, MEEK, MORGAN, REDDEN, Senators ATIYEH, BAIN, CHAPMAN, FADELEY, IRELAND, WILLNER

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

(1) There is created an interim committee on public health, the members to be selected as follows:

(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint four members from among the members of the Senate.

(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint five members from among the members of the House of Representatives.

(2) The committee shall study the administration of public health services in this state, including but not limited to:

(a) The organization and operation of the State Board of Health in exercising and carrying out its powers and duties under the statutes of this state.

(b) The relationship between the State Board of Health and local health authorities in the performance of their respective functions under the statutes of this state.

(c) The relationship between the programs of the Mental Health Division and the activities of counties in the area of mental health.

(3) The committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Fifty-fourth Legislative Assembly.

(4) Subject to the approval of the Legislative Fiscal Committee, the committee may:

(a) Employ such persons as are necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes for which the committee is created;

(b) Fix the amount of compensation of such employes; and

(c) Accept contributions of funds and assistance from the United States, its agencies or from any other source, public or private, and agree to conditions thereon not inconsistent with this resolution, to aid in financing the work of the committee. All such funds shall be paid into the General Fund of the State Treasury to the credit of a separate account for the committee and shall be disbursed, for the purpose for which contributed, in the same manner as other funds appropriated for the committee.

(5) All agencies, departments and officers of this state are directed to assist the committee in its study and investigation, and to furnish such information and advice as the committee considers necessary to carry out its duties.

(6) The committee shall prepare a budget in accordance with a format specified by the Legislative Fiscal Committee and file a copy with the Emergency Board by September 1, 1965.

(7) Except for payment of expenses authorized by the Legislative Fiscal Committee for editing, reproducing and distributing the report required by ORS 171.625 and this resolution, the committee created by this resolution is not authorized to pay any expense on or after November 1, 1966, nor shall it, before November 1, 1966, incur obligations or

pay in advance for any materials or services to be furnished to it after November 1, 1966.

(8) The Secretary of State shall audit the claims for expenses of the committee authorized by law, and draw warrants therefor payable from funds appropriated for payment of the expenses of the Fifty-third Legislative Assembly. However, such payments from funds appropriated for payment of expenses of the Fifty-third Legislative Assembly shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$30,000.



Senators

Following is a complete list of members of the State Senate, according to unofficial election results:

Dist. No. 2 -- Dell Isham (D-Florence).

No. 4 -- Victor Atiyeh (R-Portland).

No. 6 -- Jan Wyers (D-Portland).

No. 7 -- Stephen Kafoury (D-Portland).

No. 8 -- William McCoy (D-Portland).

No. 10 -- Betty Roberts (D-Portland).

No. 12 -- Vern Cook (D-Troutdale).

No. 15 -- Anthony Meeker (R-Amity).

No. 23 -- Jason Boe (D-Reedsport).

No. 24 -- Jack Ripper (D-North Bend).

No. 25 -- E. D. (Debbs) Potts (D-Grants Pass).

No. 27 -- Fred W. Heard (D-Klamath Falls).

No. 28 -- Kenneth A. Jernstedt (R-Hood River).

No. 29 -- Mike Thorne (D-Pendleton).

No. 30 -- Robert F. Smith (R-Burns).

Only half of the 30-member Senate faces election every two years for four-year terms of office. Holdover Senators, who did not face election this year and will be serving out their terms during 1977-78 include:

Dist. No. 1 -- Charles Hanlon (D-Cornelius).

No. 3 -- Blaine Whipple (D-Portland).

No. 5 -- Ted Hallock (D-Portland).

No. 9 -- Frank Roberts (D-Portland).

No. 11 -- Mary Roberts (D-Portland).

No. 13 -- Walter F. Brown (D-Lake Oswego).

No. 14 -- Dick Groener (D-Milwaukie).

No. 16 -- Wallace P. Carson (R-Salem).

No. 17 -- Keith A. Burbidge (D-Salem).

No. 18 -- Clifford W. Trow (D-Corvallis).

No. 19 -- John Powell (D-Halsey).

No. 20 -- George Wingard (R-Eugene).

No. 21 -- Edward N. Fadeley (D-Eugene).

No. 22 -- Betty Browne (D-Oakridge).

No. 26 -- Lenn Hannon (D-Klamath Falls).

Representatives

Following is a complete list of State Representatives, according to unofficial election results. Representatives serve two-year terms.

Dist. No. 1 -- Dick Magruder (D-Clatskanie).

No. 2 -- Ted Bugas (R-Astoria).

No. 3 -- Paul A. Hanneman (R-Cloverdale).

No. 4 -- Mark Gardner (D-Hillsboro).

No. 5 -- Tom Marsh (D-Beaverton).

No. 6 -- Mike Ragsdale (R-Beaverton).

No. 7 -- Pat Whiting (D-Tigard).

No. 8 -- Vera Katz (D-Portland).

No. 9 -- Mary W. Rieke (R-Portland).

No. 10 -- Philip D. Lang (D-Portland).

No. 11 -- Earl Blumenauer (D-Portland).

No. 12 -- W. Rod Monroe (D-Portland).

No. 13 -- Gretchen Kafoury (D-Portland).

No. 14 -- Howard L. Cherry (D-Portland).

No. 15 -- Jim Chrest (D-Portland).

No. 16 -- Wally Priestly (D-Portland).

No. 17 -- George Starr (D-Portland).

No. 18 -- Lloyd Kinsey (R-Portland).

No. 19 -- Hardy Myers (D-Portland).

No. 20 -- Drew Davis (D-Portland).

No. 21 -- Rick Gustafson (D-Portland).

No. 22 -- Sandra L. Richards (D-Portland).

No. 23 -- Glenn E. Otto (D-Troutdale).

No. 24 -- Roger Martin (R-Lake Oswego).

No. 25 -- Glen Whallon (D-Milwaukie).

No. 26 -- Ed Lindquist (D-Milwaukie).

No. 27 -- T.C. (Ted) Achilles (R-West Linn).

No. 28 -- Curt Wolfer (D-Silverton).

No. 29 -- William D. Rutherford (R-McMinnville).

No. 30 -- Jeff Gilmour (D-Jefferson).

No. 31 -- Alan Riebel (R-Salem).

No. 32 -- Margaret (Peg) U. Dereli (D-Salem).

No. 33 -- Bob Vian (D-Salem).

No. 34 -- Robert (Bob) Marx (D-Monmouth).

No. 35 -- Antone (Tony) Van Vliet (R-Corvallis).

No. 36 -- Mae Yih (D-Albany).

No. 37 -- Bernard D. (Bud) Byers (D-Lebanon).

No. 38 -- Max Rijken (D-Newport).

No. 39 -- Grattan Kerans (D-Eugene).

No. 40 -- Dave Frohnmayer (R-Eugene).

No. 41 -- Mary McCauley Burrows (R-Eugene).

No. 42 -- Nancie Fadeley (D-Eugene).

No. 43 -- Ted Kulongoski (D-Eugene).

No. 44 -- Bill Rogers (R-Vida).

No. 45 -- Al Shaw (R-Roseburg).

No. 46 -- Bill Markham (R-Riddle).

No. 47 -- Bill Grannell (D-North Bend).

No. 48 -- Ed (Doc) Stevenson (D-Coquille).

No. 49 -- Cecil L. Johnson (R-Grants Pass).

No. 50 -- Clayton C. Klein Jr. (D-Central Point).

No. 51 -- Brad Morris (R-Medford).

No. 52 -- Ben (Kip) Lombard (R-Ashland).

No. 53 -- Gary L. Wilhelms (R-Klamath Falls).

No. 54 -- Sam Johnson (R-Redmond).

No. 55 -- Jack Sumner (D-Heppner).

No. 56 -- Wayne H. Fawbush (D-Hood River).

No. 57 -- Jack Duff (R-Adams).

No. 58 -- Robert A. Brogoitti (R-LaGrande).

No. 59 -- Max Simpson (D-Baker).

No. 60 -- D. E. (Denny) Jones (R-Ontario).