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**Senator Alan Olsen Statement on
Collective Bargaining Bill**

SALEM, Ore. – Today, [House Bill 2016](#) passed the Senate on a party line vote while continuing to undermine Oregonians’ rights to association. The legislation is an example of the majority party undermining the Supreme Court case *Janus vs AFSCME*, which overturned a 40-year-old precedent that nonunion workers cannot be forced to pay fees to public sector unions.

Senator Alan Olsen (R-Canby) released the following statement regarding the legislation:

“Perceived as a threat to the collective bargaining rights of unions, this legislation is yet another example of the majority party’s arrogance towards federal policies in a show to protect their campaign contributions. The Democrats are continuing to dictate Oregonian’s right to association after yesterday’s floor session and again today, in a show of hypocrisy, they are dictating the necessity of union participation.

“The bill puts undue hardship on those who want to opt out of being part of the unions by forcing them to fill out a paper form and take it to the regional headquarters in Portland in person. To jump through these hoops, it could easily cost an instructor a full day outside of the classroom.”

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