

# AFSCME Council 5

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## Legislature Approves AFSCME Contracts

AFSCME state employee contracts were approved by lawmakers before the Legislature adjourned late last night. The best news is that the contract bills are “clean” of the poison pills that House Republicans had tried to pass.

Governor Dayton is expected to sign the three contract bills that cover nearly 18,000 workers in the corrections, radio communications and multi-units.

We are grateful to Governor Dayton, Senator Jim Metzen, and Representatives Leon Lillie and Debra Hilstrom for their persistent support of all state employees and our labor agreements.

We are disgusted by the House Republicans who voted against our multi-unit labor agreement. The **TERRIBLE 25** include: Speaker Kurt Daudt and Representatives Mark Anderson, Sarah Anderson, Drew Christensen, Matt Dean, Steve Drazkowski, Sondra Erickson, Mary Franson, Steve Green, Glenn Gruenhagen, Jerry Hertaus, Jon Koznick, Eric Lucero, Joe McDonald, Jim Nash, Jim Newberger, Joyce Peppin, Cindy Pugh, Duane Quam, Linda Runbeck, Peggy Scott, Dennis Smith, Bob Vogel and Abigail Whelan.

If the **TERRIBLE 25** were in charge, state employees would have no rights and no raises.

Politics matter. We elect our bosses and we never surrender at the Capitol or the ballot box. It's how we protect our jobs, our retirement, and the public services that Minnesota needs. Remember in November to vote against the 25 politicians who voted against our contract.

The purpose of our contract is to promote harmonious relations between labor and management; to establish an equitable and peaceful procedure to resolve differences; and for both parties to express full and complete understanding of rates of pay, hours of work, and other conditions of employment.

Collective bargaining has worked well for 42 years since passage of the Public Employment Labor Relations Act. Shame on any politician who doesn't respect that process.



## Take Action

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