

SENATE BILL NO. 421  
INTRODUCED BY AKLESTAD

IN THE SENATE

FEBRUARY 14, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR & EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS.
	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 17, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 18, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 20, 1989	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
	ENGROSSING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 21, 1989	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 49; NOES, 1.
	TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

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MARCH 15, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 18, 1989	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 20, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 94; NOES, 4.
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REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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