

Legislative Update February 1, 2019

IBEW 611 Business Manager Carl Condit provided the following comments on recent actions by legislative committees in Santa Fe.

“On Election Day last November our members and a strong majority of New Mexico voters stood together and demanded an end to the 8 year attack on our Unions and our members. The vast majority of our elected officials are working together to provide the respect and opportunities our members deserve.

House Bill 85, which will ban local RTW for Less Ordinances, easily passed the House Labor Committee with 6 democrat legislators voting for and 3 republicans against – some things never change.

House Bill 246 which will rigorously penalize unscrupulous contractors who pick the pockets of their workers. The bill will have its first Committee hearing next week. I will keep you all apprised when these important bills advance to the House floor and we will stand together to ensure a solid victory for all of our members.”

HB 85 AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS ACT; ALLOWING UNION MEMBERSHIP TO BE REQUIRED AS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT; ESTABLISHING THAT THE STATE HAS EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION TO PROHIBIT UNION SECURITY AGREEMENTS.

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/19%20Regular/bills/house/HB0085.pdf>

HB 246 AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS; PROVIDING A PROCESS TO RESOLVE PREVAILING WAGE COMPLAINTS; INCREASING PENALTIES.

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/19%20Regular/bills/house/HB0246.pdf>

<https://www.ladailypost.com/content/rep-christine-chandler-champions-fair-wages-and-benefits-workers-through-house-bill-246>