

Legislative Analysis



PROHIBIT USE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY, FACILITIES, AND SERVICES BY PUBLIC EMPLOYEE UNIONS

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House Bill 4052

Sponsor: Rep. Al Pscholka

Committee: Oversight, Reform, and Ethics

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A REVISED SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4052 AS INTRODUCED 1-13-11

The bill would prohibit a public employee or collective bargaining organization from using publicly owned property, facilities, or services, including an electronic mail system, for (1) political activities, (2) political fundraising, (3) campaigning for office of a collective bargaining organization, (4) collective bargaining organizing activities, or (5) solicitation of employees for membership in a collective bargaining organization.

The bill would amend the Public Employment Relations Act, which prohibits strikes, and authorizes public employees to organize and to negotiate or bargain collectively with their public employers through representatives of their own choice.

The bill says this prohibition would not limit the right of a public employee or collective bargaining organization to use, on the same terms as members of the general public, public property that was made available as a public forum.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4052 is not expected to have a significant impact on state or local budgets.

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