



2021 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

PROTEC17 is a labor union representing over 9,000 public sector workers in Washington and Oregon. Our members work for public health and city, county, state governments in a variety of professional and technical positions.

INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES



Oregon and Washington's public services - and the jobs of our members - are badly underfunded because the States' tax systems take the most from those who earn the least. Tax code reform can greatly improve the system's fairness and also allow for necessary investments in our critical programs and services.

STRENGTHEN PUBLIC HEALTH



Even as our public health members have been at the front lines of the pandemic, unstable funding, lack of support, and inadequate coordination have undermined their efforts. There is proposed legislation that would strengthen our public health system by drawing in funds from private insurance companies and the soda industry.

END HISTORY OF VIOLENCE



This session provides a unique moment to address the long history of violence against communities of color. As racial justice is one of the key priorities in our strategic plan, we will work to end this violence by supporting the establishment of an accountability system for police officers who violate professional standards while preserving core labor principles.

BUILD INFRASTRUCTURE



Our transit and transportation networks have long been underfunded. The economic boost that bold public investment in infrastructure - like bridges, roads, rails and buses - would provide is especially needed during the current pandemic-induced recession.

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