

HB 2336 -- Attendance of Police and Firefighters at National Conventions

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This bill requires any employee of the state or any political subdivision to be given a leave of absence with pay, if the employee is a duly authorized representative of an employee organization and affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Police or the International Association of Firefighters, to attend any state or national convention of the organization. The number of representatives who are allowed to attend is specified based on the number of organization members unless negotiated otherwise by the employer and the representatives of the employee association. The leave of absence must be for a period inclusive of the duration of the convention and a reasonable travel time but cannot be for more than seven days. Upon request by the employer, a certificate of attendance must be submitted by the attending representative.