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Legislation and Political Education Department

Papers, 1969-1977
(Predominantly, 1974-1975)

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The Legislation and Political Education Department of AFSCME was first organized in 1966 under the name Legislation and Community Affairs Department. The activities of this department can be broken into five areas: legislation, political action, community affairs, liaison with government agencies and international affairs.

The interests and activities of this department range from international political concerns to educating the community in civil rights. The Legislation and Political Education Department set up programs within the union, with government agencies, and along side other unions and agencies. The papers in this collection reflect these activities.

Important subjects covered in the collection
are: Hatch Act
Fund Raising and Contribution Rules and Regulations
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Voter Registration

Among the important correspondents are:
Jullian Bond    George McGovern
Peter Brennan   James O'Brien
Aretha Franklin

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The files in Series I contain correspondence, clippings, and other items relating generally to the years of 1974-1975. These are items which were sent to either A.F.S.C.M.E. or directly to the Legislative and Political Education Department, regarding the activities and needs of groups other than AFSCME. Attached to some of the correspondence are notes of reaction and action on the part of the department and A.F.S.C.M.E. as an organization. The files are arranged alphabetically by subject and then chronologically.

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