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SEIU workers approve contract with state



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Workers in **Service Employees International Union** Local 1000 have approved a new, three-year contract with the state of California that includes an across-the-board wage increase totaling 4.5 percent — and no new furloughs.

The results of member balloting were announced Tuesday. Ninety percent of voting members approved the agreement.

The contract covers more than 95,000 workers. The state Assembly and Senate have already ratified it; the governor is expected to sign the agreement Wednesday.

“Our new contract delivers on each of the four top priorities identified by our members,” Local 1000 President [Yvonne Walker](#) said in a news release. “It protects retirement, preserves our 80/20 health benefit premiums, prohibits new furloughs or personal leave programs and includes a wage increase for everyone.”

Local 1000 represents clerical workers, auditors, information technology professionals, teachers, printers, librarians, custodians, nurses and other health care professionals.

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