The Taylor Law in Perspective at 50

Mark your calendar for September 26, 2017, when Roosevelt House at Hunter College will host public policy programing that will examine public sector collective bargaining.

2017 marks the 50th anniversary of the Public Employees Fair Employment Act, commonly known as the Taylor Law. This New York law was one of the first state laws to grant public workers the right to unionize, to require public employers and unions to bargain in good faith over working conditions, and to mandate conciliation of bargaining impasses.

In conjunction with Hunter’s National Center for the Study of Collective Bargaining in Higher Education and the Professions, and the Joseph S. Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies, Roosevelt House will sponsor a series of panels and conversations examining the Taylor Law in historical context, and exploring the future of public sector unionization and collective bargaining. We hope you can join us.

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About the National Center for the Study of Collective Bargaining in Higher Education and the Professions

The National Center is a national labor-management research center at Hunter College dedicated to studying unionization and collective bargaining primarily in higher education and the professions.

About the Joseph S. Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies

The Joseph S. Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies offers higher education programs for working adults and union members, and serves as a resource center to labor, academic, and community leaders seeking a deeper understanding of labor and urban issues.