TO: Members of the Legislative Commission on Pensions & Retirement

FROM: Commission Staff

RE: Brief Summary of Pension Legislation in 1977

DATE: June 9, 1977

I. <u>Bills which Became Law in 1977</u> During the 1977 Session of the Minnesota Legislature, more than 100 bills which related to pension matters were introduced. In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 3.85, these bills were reviewed and analyzed by the Commission members and staff.

Of the bills considered in 1977, 29 became law. They may be classified as shown below:

Statewide Funds	8 bills
First Class City Funds	l bill
Local Police & Fire Funds	8 bills
Volunteer Fire Funds	6 bills
Miscellaneous	6 bỉlls
	29 bills

Provisions pertaining to the Statewide Funds, First Class City Funds, Local Police and Fire Funds, and Volunteer Fire Funds were included as amendments to various pension bills.

Several of the laws enacted in 1977 represent significant pension changes, which are briefly reviewed in the following section.

#### II. Significant Changes

#### A. Statewide Funds

- -Tradesmen employed by the Metropolitan Waste Control Commission who are covered by a trade union pension plan are excluded from coverage by MSRS.
- -The service requirement for electing a joint and survivor annuity from the Highway Patrol Retirement Fund was reduced to ten years.  $\chi_{O}=10$
- -A retired member was added to the MSRS and TRA Boards of Trustees.

-A regional election system was adopted for the PERA Board of Trustees and a labor union representative was added to the Board.

-A provision allowing employment as a substitute employee after mandatory retirement up to a maximum salary of \$3000 was added to PERA law. A similar provision in TRA law was extended to cover all TRA employees.

-Implementation of a limitation that each year of a member's high five years average salary shall not exceed the previous year's salary by more than 15 percent was delayed until July 1, 1978.

#### B. First Class City Funds

-The Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund shall coordinate with social security for all new employees hired after July 1, 1978. The new MMER coordinated program shall be modeled after the PERA coordinated program.

- -The St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association shall coordinate with social security for all new teachers hired after July 1, 1978. The new St. PTRFA coordinated program shall be modeled after the TRA coordinated program.
- -Coordination of the Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association with social security was delayed until 1978. All new teachers hired after July 1, 1978 shall be covered by a coordinated program which shall be modeled after the TRA coordinated program.
- -The retirement benefit formula accrual rate for the basic program of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Association, which is to be phased out, was increased from a flat 1.8% per year of service to a flat 2.0% per year of service.

#### C. Local Police and Paid Fire Funds

-Three local police funds, Fridley, Fairmont and Columbia Heights, ) were placed on a phase out basis, with new employees covered by the PERA Police and Fire Fund. One local paid fire fund, Eveleth Fire, and one local police Fund, Eveleth Police, totally consolidated into the PERA Police and Fire Fund. Survivor benefit improvements and post retirement adjustments constituted the most numerous changes for the remaining funds.

#### D. Volunteer Fire Funds

-The service requirements for vesting for a volunteer firemen's service pension was reduced from 20 years to partial vesting at 10 years with full vesting at 15 years.

#### E. Miscellaneous

- -Annuitants, disabilitants and survivors of the statewide funds who began receiving benefits prior to July 1, 1973 will receive a lump sum bonus payment of \$225 for coordinated (covered by social security) recipients, and \$250 for basic (not covered by social security) recipients in November or December, 1977.
- -All benefit recipients shall commence receiving their annuities or benefits as of the first of the month, rather than at the end of the month, effective December, 1977.
- -The mortality adjustment procedure of the Minnesota Adjustable Fixed Benefit Fund was clarified and an adjustment in benefits paid from the MAFB of up to 4% was authorized for January 1, 1978.

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TO:	LCP&R
FROM:	L. Martin
RE:	Summary of 1977 Legislation Concerning the First Class City Funds
DATE:	July, 1977

The 1977 Legislature made some significant changes concerning three of the four first class city retirement funds, the Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund, the Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association, and the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association.

#### Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund (MMER)

Laws 1977, Chapter 399 (HF 848) provided that for all newly hired employees after July 1, 1978 and any existing employees who so elect, there would be established a coordinated (with social security) program of the MMER fund. A social security referendum for existing MMER covered employees would be held after May 1, 1978. The new MMER coordinated program will be structured along the lines of the PERA coordinated program. Contributions to the fund for the coordinated program would be 4.0% by the employee and 5.5% by the employer (4.0% matching contribution; 1.5% additional contribution). Normal retirement in the coordinated program would be at age 65 with 10 years of service or age 62 with 30 years of service. Retirement prior to the normal retirement age would be with a reduced benefit. The normal retirement benefit formula would be 1.0% for each of the first 10 years of service and 1.5% for each year of service thereafter, applied to a member's highest 5 successive years average salary. For the existing basic program, the amortization period for retiring the deficit of the basic program was extended to the year 2017 (40 years).

Laws 1977, Chapter 429, Sections 50, 51 and 52 (SF 181) provided for the addition of two additional employee representatives to the MMER Board of Trustees, increasing the employee trustee, employer trustee ratio to 4 and 3.

#### Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association (MTRFA)

Laws 1977, Chapter 429, Sections 47, 48, 54, and 59 (SF 181) provided that the social security referendum scheduled for May, 1977 and the coordination of the fund scheduled for July 1, 1977, would be delayed until May, 1978 and July 1, 1978 respectively. The establishment of the MTRFA coordinated program is also delayed until July 1, 1978. The new coordinated program will be structured along the lines of the TRA coordinated program and will be similar to the new MMER coordinated program.

#### St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association (StPTRFA)

Laws 1977, Chapter 429, Sections 38-46, 60 and 61 (SF 181) provided that for all newly hired employees after July 1, 1978 and any existing employees who so elect, there would be established a coordinated (with social security) program of the St.PTRFA fund. A social security referendum for existing St.PTRFA covered employees would be held after May 1, 1978. The new coordinated program will be structured along the lines of the TRA coordinated program and will be similar to the new MMER and new MTRFA coordinated programs. Members of the existing basic program were granted an increase in their retirement formula (increase from a flat 1.8% per year of service formula to a flat 2.0% per year of service formula).

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TO: LCPR
FROM: L. Martin
RE: Summary of 1977 Legislation Concerning the Teachers Retirement Assn. (TRA)
DATE: July, 1977

The 1977 Legislature made some significant changes concerning the Teachers Retirement Association. The changes were contained in five different pieces of legislation.

#### Laws 1977, Chapter 67 (SF 362)

The act made numerous administrative amendments to the TRA law. The executive secretary was renamed the executive director and was given expanded powers and duties. Previous provisions in TRA law relating to the purchase of prior service and repayment of refunds which had required only simple interest to be paid by the member were amended to require compound interest. TRA was authorized to make benefit payments to a recipient's joint account rather than to an individual account only.

#### Laws 1977, Chapter 97 (HF 307) The act was a revisor's bill and corrected outdated and obsolete citations in the TRA law.

Laws 1977, Chapter 313 (SF 472)

The act increased the TRA employer additional contribution made by the state one-half of one percent, from two and one-half percent to three percent. The employer additional contribution is intended to pay the interest on and amortize the present unfunded accrued liability. The additional contribution is required because there was a 1.587% contribution deficiency from the minimum contribution required to freeze the deficit by paying the interest on it and a 3.798% contribution deficiency from the full contribution required to amortize the deficit by 1997. The one-half of one percent increase was less than the Commission requested, but will improve slightly the TRA financing situation.

The one-half of one percent increase in the TRA employer additional contribution rate is expected to result in the following additional expenditures by the state for the 1977-1979 biennium:

	1977-1978	1978-1979	Biennial Total
TRA	\$4,181,318	\$4,441,827	\$8,623,145
Duluth TRFA	95,195	102,805	198,000
Mpls. TRFA	327,755	344,000	671,755
St. Paul TRFA	229,000	235,500	464,500
Total	\$4,833,267	\$5,124,133	\$9,957,400

The TRA employer contribution rate increase results in an increase to the three first class city teachers retirement fund associations because their contribution is set according to the state contribution to TRA pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 354A.12.

#### Laws 1977, Chapter 429, Sections 35, 36, and 37 (SF 181)

A portion of the omnibus retirement legislation related to TRA. A retired member was added to the TRA Board of Trustees. The exception to the age 65 mandatory retirement law for substitute and part time teachers up to a maximum salary of \$3,000 was extended to all TRA covered employees.

#### Laws 1977, Chapter 447, Title IX (HF 550)

A portion of the aids to education legislation related to TRA and teachers retirement. Teachers, other than superintendents, who have been employed by a school district for a minimum of ten and a maximum of twenty years and who are under age 55 are entitled to take an extended leave of absence up to five years in duration and continue to make employee contributions into TRA and receive service credit for the period of the leave. Teachers, other than high administrative personnel, who have 20 years of allowable service may assume a part time teaching position of at least 50 full days (30% of full time) but not to exceed 60% of compensation paid to a comparable teacher, are entitled to continue to make full employee contributions into TRA and receive full service credit. Teachers who retire after age 55 but prior to age 65 are also entitled to an incentive payment ranging from \$7500 at age 55 to \$1125 at age 64.

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TO: Members of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

FROM: Commission Staff

RE: General Summary of Laws 1977, Chapter 429 (SF 181), the Omnibus Retirement Bill

DATE: June 9, 1977

Laws 1977, Chapter 429, (SF 181 Stokowski), makes changes affecting a number of the public retirement funds. The following summary sets forth the significant amendments fund by fund.

#### A. General Application (Section 49)

The implementation of the 15% per year increase limitation on the highest 5 successive years average salary used to calculate retirement benefits will be delayed for one year (until July 1, 1978).

B. <u>Highway Patrolmen's Retirement Fund (Sections 14, 15 and 16</u> Service shall be credited on a monthly basis instead of solely on an annual basis. A retiring member may choose an actuarially adjusted joint and survivor annuity instead of a single life annuity with ten years of service rather than only with 20 years of service.

C. Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS) Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 53 & 58) A retired member is added to the MSRS Board of Trustees. Former state employees who are employees of the labor organizations representing state employees are entitled to continue MSRS coverage. Eleven unclassified employees of the Higher Education Coordinating Board are included in the coverage of the Unclassified Employees Retirement Plan. The purchase of prior legislative service by permanent legislative employees was extended for two additional years. Certain former constitutional officers are entitled to make a repayment of any refunds received from the elective state officers plan.

D. Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) Sections 18, 19, 20, 22, 23 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 56, 65) The members of the Board of Trustees of PERA shall be elected from three

regional elections districts. A representative of the employee labor organizations with PERA covered employees shall be added as an additional member of the Board of Trustees. Surviving spouse benefits shall be paid for the month of death, rather than ending with the end of the month prior to death. Persons seeking to make the limited prior service purchase allowed under present law are required to have one year service credit prior to making the purchase. PERA annuitants over an age 65 mandatory retirement age provision may be employed as substitutes up to a maximum salary of \$3,000. A person making a purchase of prior service, including service in 1957 cannot by that purchase also obtain a right under the 1957 PERA law savings clause. Various obsolete, unnecessary and redundant provisions of PERA are clarified, removed or repealed. Certain employees of the Hennepin County District Court at age 65 shall be entitled to receive a proportionate annuity even though the members were not covered by an age 65 mandatory retirement law. Certain deputy sheriffs in Ramsey County who were formerly covered by the PERA basic program for the same service prior to 1970 shall be given credit in the PERA Police and Fire Fund for that service upon paying the additional contribution required. Employees of the Hennepin and Scott Soil and Water Conservation Districts shall be covered by PERA after July 1, 1977.

E. <u>Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) Sections 35, 36 and 37</u>) A retired member shall be added to the TRA Board of Trustees. The exception to the age 65 mandatory retirement law for substitute teachers up to a maximum salary of \$3000 is extended to all TRA covered employers (State Universities, Community Colleges, School Districts) instead of just school districts. F. <u>Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund (MMER)</u> Sections 50, 51 and 52) Two additional employee representatives shall be added to the MMER Board of Trustees.

G. <u>Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association (MTRFA)</u> Sections 47, 48, 54 & 59) The coordination with social security and establishment of a MTRFA coordinated program required by Laws 1976, Chapter 238, is delayed one year (until May-June 1978). New MTRFA covered employees after July 1, 1977 shall not be covered by the unreduced early normal retirement benefit at any age with 30 years of service, but early retirement prior to age 60 shall be reduced by 3% per year that the annuitant is under age 60 at the time of retirement.

H. St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Assn. (St.PTRFA) Sections 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 60 and 61) The St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association shall coordinate with social security and shall establish a coordinated program effective May-June 1978. New employees after July 1, 1978 shall be members of the St. PTRFA coordinated program, which shall be modeled after the TRA coordinated program. The retire-

ment formula for existing basic members shall increase from a flat 1.8% to a

#### I. Judges Retirement Fund (Section 49)

flat 2.0%

The temporary provision in the recently enacted Executive, Judicial and Legislative Compensation Act requiring a waiver of retirement escalation by all judges who have rights under the 1973 <u>Sylvestre</u> decision before the salary increase for district and supreme court judges will go into effect is modified, making the waiver or no salary increase provision apply to <u>Sylvestre</u> judges on an individual basis.

J. Legislators' Retirement Plan (Sections 1, 2 and 3) Surviving spouse benefits for survivors of deceased former legislators shall include any deferred annuities augmentation earned by the legislator. Present surviving spouse benefit recipients shall receive the 25% increase granted to public fund retirees in 1973-1974.

K. <u>State Police Aid</u> (Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9) A number of technical amendments relating to the definition of police officer, aid for municipalities contracting with other municipalities, and use of the aid by counties required to correct ambiguities in 1976 revision are made prior to the revised program initially going into effect July 1, 1977.

TO: LCP&R			
FROM: Commission Staff (L. Martin)			
RE: Bills Relating to Pensions and Retirement			
DATE: March 9, 1977			
Forty-seven bills directly relating to pensions and retirement have been introduced as of this date. The following is an attempt to divide the bills into thirteen topical categories to facilitate a priority ranking by the Commission. The symbol ( $p_i'$ before a bill indicates that the Commission has already taken action on the bill.			
1. <u>Administrative Bills</u> The administrative bills, usually introduced on behalf of the respective pension fund, make essentially procedural or mechanical changes in the operation of the pension funds without making any major changes in benefits.			
(1) HF 307 (Patton); SF 159 (Stokowski) TRA: Corrects outdated references HF 306 (Patton); SF 180 (Stokowski) PERA: Administrative Changes - included and excluded employees, remove dependency requirement from dependent spouse, purchase of prior service, employment as substitute after mandatory retirement, repealer			
() HF 365 (Beauchamp); SF 362 (Stokowski) TRA: Administrative changes HF 611 (Reding); SF 635 (Stokowski) Major Funds: Payment of annuity as of the beginning of each month			
HF 639 (I. Anderson); SF TRA: Annuity payable to joint bank account HF 640 (Rice); SF 441 (Stokowski) MMER: Board membership and meetings, death while eligible survivor benefit, deferred annuities augmentation, MAFB increases			
HF 683 (Stanton) HF 683 (Stanton) Dependent surviving spouse HF 460 (Patton); SF 634 (Strand) MAFB: Mortality gain and loss adjustments			
<ol> <li>Benefit Increase bills</li> <li>Benefit increase bills make changes in retirement, disability or survivor benefit formulas and provisions which will increase the accrued liability and the funding costs of the respective fund. Benefit increase bills generally require the making of major policy decisions.</li> </ol>			
HF 310 (Mangan); SF 440 (Stokowski) TRA: Arrears reopening, election out of variable plan, normal retirement at age 60 with 30 years HF 311 (Patton); SF Major Funds: Workers Compensation deduction eliminated			
HF 413 (Beauchamp); SF 633 (Stokowski) MSRS: Increased benefit accrued after seventh year, reduced early retirement reduction			
HF 493 (Samuelson); SF Highway Patrol: benefit for dependents of a disabilitant			
HF 615 (Cummiskey) ;SF PERA: "Successive" requirement dropped from 5 highest successive years average salary HF SF 639 (Peterson) Highway Patrol: Fractional service, joint and survivor option with 10 years service, survivor benefits			
3. <u>Boards of Trustees Bills</u> Boards of Trustees bills change the structure of the boards which have responsibility for managing the pension funds and recommending proposals to the legislature regarding their respective funds.			
HF SF 181 (Stokowski) PERA: Election of Board of Trustees by geographic districts			
HF 360 (Hanson); SF TRA: Retired member on Board of Trustees HF 752 (Hanson); SF MSRS: Retired member on Board of Trustees			

#### 4. Earnings Limits on Annuitants Bills

Earnings limits on the re-employment of annuitants bills deal with the present \$3,000 per year (PERA & MSRS) or \$800 per quarter (TRA) earnings limitation for annuitants of the fund who are employed by an employer where pension coverage is by the same fund. The limits were increased from \$2000 to \$3000 for PERA & MSRS in 1975. PERA does not apply the present limit to annuitants re-employed as elected officials.

HF 362 (Kalis); SF\_\_\_\_\_ PERA: Earnings limit on re employed annuitant increased from \$3000 to \$6000 before annuity suspended HF \_\_\_\_; SF 554 (Olhoft) PERA: Limit on either pension or salary for annuitant re employed as an elected official

5. Financing of Pensions Bills

Financing of pensions bills concern the adequacy of the amount of the contributions provided by statute to the respective pension funds (compared to the actuarially determined funding requirements); the allocation of the statutorially provided contributions between employee and employer; and the source of the employer contributions.

(1)	$\mathbf{HF}$	126	(Moe); SF 472 (Stokowski) TRA: Two percent additional state employer
			contribution
	$\mathbf{HF}$	637	(Arlandson); SF 485 (Lewis) PERA: Assumption by state of employer
			contribution on behalf of PERA covered
			school district employees
	$\mathbf{HF}$	754	(Kostohryz); SF PERA: Assumption by state of the employer
			contribution on behalf of PERA covered school
			district employees

#### 6. Judicial Retirement Bills

Judges retirement bills concern the separate plan and fund established for Judges. The current plan and fund was established in 1973, with the judges on the bench on that date having the option to elect benefits under the old law. The old law did not automatically provide survivor benefits without the old law judge electing to contribute to a survivors account.

$\mathbf{HF}$	636	(Dahl);SF	Judges: Option for a judge with pre 1973 service to
			re elect participation in the old survivor account
$\mathbf{HF}$	688	(Beauchamp);	SF 656 (Peterson) Judges: Inclusion of fund in the
			combined service annuity (portability) provision

#### 7. Mandatory Retirement Age Extension Bills

Mandatory retirement age bills deal with exceptions to the absolute mandatory age statutes which apply to all of the major funds on a statewide basis except PERA. The mandatory retirement ages were last amended or implemented in 1973 and 1975.

HF\_\_\_\_\_; SF 14 (Kleinbaum) MSRS: Extension of mandatory retirement age for correctional employees from present age 55-62 to age 65 HF 755 (Beauchamp); SF TRA: Extension of mandatory retirement age for state university and community college faculty with demonstrated exceptional teaching ability

### 8. Pension Fund Membership Bills

The Minnesota public pension funds cover virtually every public employee in the state. There are some groups of employees who were previously exempted but now wish to be included in a public fund, some groups of employees who are not public employees or who are only tangentially public employees who wish to be included in a public fund, and some groups of employees now covered by a public fund who feel they should not be covered and wish to be excluded.

HF 312 (Suss); SF 135 (Stokowski) PERA: Inclusion of Soil and Water Conservation District employees HF 308 (Patton); SF 177 (Stokowski) MSRS: Exclusion of tradesmen employed by the Metropolitan Waste Control Commission HF 409 (Pehler); SF \_\_\_\_\_ TRA: Inclusion of non-public school teachers

#### 9. Police and Fire Bills

Police and paid fire bills refer to the 56 municipal police or firemen's relief associations which provide retirement benefits for police officers and firefighters not covered by the PERA Police and Fire Fund. The bills typically are prospective benefit increase proposals, post retirement adjustments for current annuitants proposals, or proposals to place the local association on a phase out basis into the PERA Police and Fire Fund.

HF	492	(Stoa); SF 41 (Laufenburger	) Winona Chief of Police membership in PERA-PH
HF	106	(Patton); SF 67 (Kleinbaum)	St. Cloud Firemen's Relief Assn., survivor
			benefits increase
HF	199	(Enebo); SF 161 (Stokowski)	Duluth, Minneapolis and St. Paul Firemen's
			Relief Associations, service pension,
			disability pension & survivor benefit increas
HF	414	(Peterson); SF 337 (Olson)	Fairmont Police Relief Association, phase out
			into PERA-P&F
HF	411	(Simoneau); SF 637 (Schaaf)	Columbia Heights Police Relief Assn., benefit
			increase, phase out into PERA-P&F
HF	491	(W. Kelly); SF 379 (Moe)	Fourth Class City Police Relief Associations
			(Crookston) benefit accrual rate, vesting
HF	410	(Simoneau); SF	Fridley Police Relief Assn., phase out into
			PERA-P&F
HF	685	(Spanish); SF 500 (Perpich)	Hibbing Firemen's Relief Assn., post retire-
			ment adjustment for current annuitants

#### 10. Post Retirement Adjustment Bills

Post retirement adjustment bills refer to proposals which seek to increase annuities after retirement. The intent behind the increase proposals generally is either to counter the effect of inflation on annuities over time or to bring smaller previously granted annuities more up to a standard with the level of current annuities being granted.

HF; SF 407 (J.Ulland)	PERA: Recomputation of pre-July 1, 1973
	annuities on the July 1, 1973 new law formula
HF 605 (Hanson); SF	Major Statewide Funds: Greater of recom-
	putation on the July 1, 1973 new law formula
	or a guaranteed ten dollar per month per year
	of service minimum benefit for pre July 1,

1973 annuities

#### 11. Prior Service Purchase Bills

Prior service purchase bills refer to proposals which would allow various groups of public employees to make contributions to gain formula service credit for periods of service which were not creditable service periods under the law at the time of service. There are only a limited number of purchase of prior service opportunities available under present law.

HF	309	(Patton); SF 132 (Stokowski)	MSRS: purchase of prior service by
			legislative employee for periods of
			intermittent legislative service
$\operatorname{HF}$	538	(Prahl); SF 489 (Strand)	TRA: purchase of periods of military service
			which occurred prior to TRA membership
HF	616	(Kroening); SF	TRA: purchase of periods of military
			service which occurred prior to TRA member-
			ship
HF	690	(Beauchamp); SF 505 (Sillers	s) TRA: purchase of periods of teaching
			service which occurred outside of the
			State of Minnesota

#### 12. Proportionate Annuity Bills

Proportionate annuity bills refer to modifications and extensions in the proportionate annuity at mandatory retirement provision which was enacted in 1975. That provision allows an individual who is compelled to retire at age 65 or earlier pursuant to a mandatory retirement law or uniformly applied policy to receive a pro rata annuity if the individual has credit for at least 3 years service.

HF 164 (Arlandson); SF 119 (Lewis) PERA: proportionate annuity for an employee of the Hennepin County District Court

#### 13. Volunteer Firemen's Bills

Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association bills refer to proposed changes in the statutes and special laws which govern the benefits provided by the 561 local volunteer firemen's relief associations which exist in the state. The bills generally provide for benefit increases or the validation of a late incorporation of a relief association.

HF	161	(Neisen); SF lll (Milton)	Centerville Volunteer Firemen's Relief
			Assn., validation of a late incorporation
			of the relief association
$\mathbf{HF}$	163	(McEachern); SF 117 (Dunn)	Albertville Volunteer Firemen's Relief Assn.,
			validation of a late incorporation of the
			relief association
HF	264	(Kvam); SF	Litchfield Volunteer Firemen's Relief Assn.,
			service pension at any age with 20 years of
			service

<u>Teachers Early Retirement or Phase Out of Employment Proposals</u> There have been a number of proposals brought to the attention of the commission staff which relate to the topic of encouraging an early phase out or early retirement of older teachers to allow the employment of younger less highly paid teachers. Some of these proposals are anticipated to be introduced as bills this session. The early retirement proposals would remove the restrictions on retirement with full unreduced retirement benefits at an age earlier than age 65 with 10 years service or age 62 with 30 years service. The early phase out proposals would allow teachers to go on part time employment but make retirement fund contributions based on full time and receive full time service and salary credit for retirement purposes.

### Bills Enacted During the 1977 Session Concerning Pensions

MSRS	Chap.	98	(HF 308)	Exclusion for Metropolitan Waste Control
	Chap 4		SF 181, Sections	Commission Tradesmen
	ondp 1			Miscellaneous Amendments to MSRS, Highway Patrol Fund, Legislators Plan & Constitutional Officers Plan
PERA	Chap 4		(SF 181, Sections 18-34, 56, 62 & 65)	Miscellaneous Amendments
TRA	Chap. Chap. Chap. 3 Chap. 4	97 313	(SF 362) (HF 307) (SF 472) (SF 181, Sections 35-37)	Administrative Provisions Correction of Outdated References Additional Employer Contribution Miscellaneous Amendments
Judges	-	79 129	(SF 483) (HF 686) (SF 181, Sec. 49) (SF 311)	Executive Judicial, and Legislative Compensation Old Law Survivor Benefits Election Waiver of Sylvestre Escalation Court Reorganization
First Class City Funds	Chap. 3 Chap. 4		(HF 848) (SF 181, Sections 50-52)	MMER: Coordination with Social Security MMER: Additional Board Members
	Chap. 4		(SF 181, Sections 47, 48, 54 & 59)	Mpls. TRFA: Delay in Coordination with Social Security
	Chap. 4		(SF 181, Sections 38-46, 60 & 61)	St. Paul TRFA: Coordination with Social Security, Benefit Increase
Local Police &	Chap. 3	374	(HF 411)	Columbia Heights Police & Fire: Police-phase out into PERA-PF; Fire-Administration & Benefits
Fire	Chap. 2	275	(HF 491)	Crookston Police: Reduced Vesting, benefit accrua
Funds	Chap. 1		(SF 1369, Sec. 3)	Duluth Fire: Survivor Benefits, qualifications
	Chap. 6		(SF 1039)	Eveleth Police & Fire: Consolidation into PERA-PF
	Chap. 1		(HF 414)	Fairmont Police: Phase Out into PERA-P&F
	Chap. 8		(SF 713)	Fridley Police: Phase Out into PERA-P&F
	Chap. 1 Chap. 1		(HF 685) (SF 1369, Sec. 2)	Hibbing Fire: Post Retirement Adjustment Mpls. Fire: Survivor Benefits; Qualifications
	Chap. 2		(HF 106)	St. Cloud Fire: Survivor Benefits
	Chap. 1		(SF 1369, Sec. 1)	St. Paul Fire: Survivor Benefits, Qualifications
	Chap. 4		(SF 181, Sec. 62)	Winona Police: Police Chief Covered by PERA-PF
Volunteer	Chap. 7	76	(HF 163)	Albertville: Incorporation Date
Fire Funds	Chap. 5	54	(SF 111)	Centerville: Incorporation Date
	Chap. 2		(HF 1184)	Lakeville: Lump Sum Benefit Increase
	Chap. 6		(SF 1331)	Litchfield: Validation of Prior Payments
	Chap. 2 Chap. 6		(HF 1259) (SF 1039, Sec. 9)	Savage: Monthly Benefit Increase Two Harbors: Validation of Prior Payments
	Chap. 1		(HF 1099)	Statewide: Reduction in Vesting Requirement to 15 Years
Miscel- laneous	Chap. 2	274	(HF 46C)	MAFB: Technical Amendments, accelerated post- retirement adjustment
	Chap. 3	388	(HF 611)	Major Funds: Annuity Payment on the first of the month, Pre-1973 lump sum bonus
	Chap. 4		(SF 181, Sec. 49)	Major Funds: One Year Delay for Increase Limitation on High 5
	Chap. 2		(SF 1064)	State Board of Investment: Investment Advisory Council
	Chap. 3		(HF 1405)	Deferred Compensation: Additional Options
	Chap. 4		(HF 1475)	Major Tax Bill: Taxation of Public Pensions
	Chap. 4		(HF 550)	School Aids Bill: Teacher Leave and Part Time Service Provisions
	Chap. 3	TCC	(HF 6)	Human Rights: Prohibition on Age Discrimination in Employment

#### House Files

Senate Files

Messrs. Kleinbaum and Sikorski introduced-

S. F. No. 14: A bill for an act relating to retirement; mandatory retirement age for corrections employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 43.051, Subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Suss, Patton, Beauchamp, Arlandson and Vanasek introduced:

H. F. No. 312, A bill for an act relating to retirement; including employees of soil and water conservation districts in membership in the public employees retirement association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.01, Subdivision 6; and Chapter 353, by adding a section.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Enebo, Moe, Kroening, Hanson and Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 199, A bill for an act relating to retirement; firemen's survivor benefits and service and disability benefits in the cities of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 69.48.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mangan, Patton, Beauchamp, Fugina and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 310, A bill for an act relating to retirement; elections, computation and purchase of prior service credit in the teachers retirement fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 354.146, by adding a subdivision; 354.44, Subdivision 6; and 354.51, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 135: A bill for an act relating to retirement; including employees of soil and water conservation districts in membership in the public employees retirement association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.01, Subdivision 6; and Chapter 353, by adding a section.

<sup>•</sup> Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Stokowski, Chenoweth and Solon introduced-

S. F. No. 161: A bill for an act relating to retirement; firemen's survivor benefits and service and disability benefits in the cities of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 69.48.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Stokowski, Johnson and Sillers introduced-

S. F. No. 440: A bill for an act relating to retirement; elections, computation and purchase of prior service credit in the teachers retirement fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 354.146, by adding a subdivision; 354.44, Subdivision 6; and 354.51, by adding a subdivision.

Patton, Moe, Biersdorf, Pehler and Beauchamp introduced:

H. F. No. 311, A bill for an act relating to retirement; eliminating the deduction of workers' compensation benefits from disability retirement benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 352B.10; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 352.113, Subdivision 5; 353.33, Subdivision 5; and 353.656, Subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Kalis, Patton, White, Metzen and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 362, A bill for an act relating to retirement; permissible annual earnings of a retired public employee; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.37.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Beauchamp, Patton, Biersdorf, Moe and Reding introduced:

H. F. No. 413, A bill for an act relating to retirement; state employees; reducing the penalty for early retirement in certain cases; increasing the retirement annuity formula; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 352.115, Subdivision 3; and 352.116, Subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Pehler, Brinkman, Reding, Kroening and Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 409, A bill for an act relating to retirement; membership of non-public school teachers in the teachers retirement fund; appropriating funds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Samuelson, Scarle, Reding, Lemke and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 493, A bill for an act relating to retirement; disability benefits for highway patrolmen; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 352B.10.

The hill was read for the first time and referred to the Com-

Mr. Chmielewski introduced-

S. F. No. 934: A bill for an act relating to retirement; eliminating the deduction of workers' compensation benefits from certain public employees disability retirement benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 352B.10; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 352.113, Subdivision 5; 353.33, Subdivision 5; and 353.656, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Penny introduced—

S. F. No. 1160: A bill for an act relating to retirement; permissi-

ble annual earnings of a retired public employee; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.37.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Stokowski, Strand, Peterson and Renneke introduced-

S. F. No. 633: A bill for an act relating to retirement; state employees; reducing the penalty for early retirement in certain cases; increasing the retirement annuity formula; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 352.115, Subdivision 3; and 352.116, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Borden introduced—

S. F. No. 777: A bill for an act relating to retirement; disability benefits for highway patrolmen; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 352B.10.

Prahl, Jacobs, Mangan and Fugina introduced:

H. F. No. 538, A bill for an act relating to retirement; military service credit for teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Arlandson, Petrafeso, Knickerbocker, Williamson and Kostohryz introduced:

H. F. No. 637, A bill for an act relating to retirement; state payment of employer's contribution for school district employees who are members of the public employees retirement association; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 353, by adding a section.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Kostohryz, Birnstihl, McEachern, Mangan and Esau introduced:

H. F. No. 754, A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; providing for the payment of school district employers' contributions by the state; appropriating money therefor.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Cummiskey introduced:

H. F. No. 615, A bill for an act relating to retirement; computation of various public retirement annuities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 352.115, Subdivision 2; 352.93, Subdivision 1; 353.29, Subdivision 2; 353.651, Subdivision 2; and 354.44, Subdivision 6.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Com-

Mr. Ulland, J. introduced-

S. F. No. 407: A bill for an act relating to retirement; adjustment of annuities of certain retired members of the public employees retirement association.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Strand, Stokowski, Vega, Lessard and Peterson introduced—

S. F. No. 489: A bill for an act relating to retirement; military service credit for teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Lewis, Humphrey, Kirchner, Hughes and Vega introduced—

S. F. No. 485: A bill for an act relating to retirement; state payment of employer's contribution for school district employees who are members of the public employees retirement association; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 353, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Mr. Anderson questioned the reference thereon and, under Rule 35, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. Kroening, Reding, Abeln, McCollar and Adams introduced:

H. F. No. 638, A bill for an act relating to retirement; purchase of military service credit in the teachers retirement fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Beauchamp, Patton, Reding and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 690, A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers retirement association; authorizing the purchase of out of state teaching service; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.09, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Reding and Wenstrom introduced:

H. F. No. 793, A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuitants of the public employees retirement association holding public office; effect on annuity; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.37, Subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Stanton introduced:

H. F. No. 683, A bill for an act relating to retirement; definition of dependent spouse for purposes of the public employees retirement law; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.01, Subdivision 20.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Beauchamp, Pehler, Stoa, St. Onge and Wenstrom introduced:

II. F. No. 755, A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers retirement association; extension of employment beyond the mandatory retirement age upon a finding of designated exceptional teaching abilities.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Messrs. Sillers and Kleinbaum introduced-

S. F. No. 505: A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers retirement association; authorizing the purchase of out of state teaching service; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.09, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Olhoft introduced-

S. F. No. 554: A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuitants of the public employees retirement association holding public office; effect on annuity; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.37, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Nichols introduced-

S. F. No. 1438: A bill for an act relating to retirement; definition of dependent spouse for purposes of the public employees retirement law; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.01, Subdivision 20.

Fugina, Begich and Prahl introduced:

H. F. No. 792, A bill for an act relating to retirement; membership of Range Municipalities and Civic Association in the public employces retirement association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 353, by adding a section.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Kostohryz, McEachern, Metzen, Novak and Peterson introduced:

II. F. No. 834, A bill for an act relating to education; school districts; increasing aids and providing certain benefits for programs of education of the handicapped; providing funds for declining enrollments, adult education, transportation of additional pupils, mandated desegregation and certain employee contributions; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 124.17, Subdivision 1; 124.223; and 124.32, Subdivisions 1, 1a and 1b.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

Patton, Reding, Biersdorf and Beauchamp introduced:

H. F. No. 847, A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuities of certain military affairs department personnel.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Patton, Biersdorf, Beauchamp and Reding introduced:

H. F. No. 849, A bill for an act relating to local firefighting organizations and retirement of police and firefighters; providing for municipal representation on the corporate governing body and requiring disclosure of records of nonprofit firefighting corporations; making portions of chapter 69 applicable to such corMr. Knoll introduced-

S. F. No. 689: A bill for an act relating to retirement; purchase of military service credit in the teachers retirement fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Johnson introduced-

S. F. No. 750: A bill for an act relating to retirement; membership of Range Municipalities and Civic Association in the public employees retirement association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 353, by adding a section.

porations; providing for state fire aid to be paid first to municipalities and subsequently to relief associations and corporations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 69.011; 69.021, Subdivisions 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9; 69.031, Subdivisions 4, 5 and 6; 69.04; 69.051; 69.06; 69.691; 69.771, Subdivision 2; 69.772, Subdivisions 4 and 6; 69.773, Subdivisions 5 and 6; and Chapter 69, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 69.774; 424.30 and 424.31.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Reding, Moe, Beauchamp, Biersdorf and Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 852, A bill for an act relating to retirement; firemen's and police relief associations in cities other than cities of the first class; membership of new police officers and firefighters in the public employees police and fire fund; contributions and refunds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

King, Johnson, Knickerbocker, Patton and Brandl introduced:

H. F. No. 887, A bill for an act relating to retirement; contributions and service credit for certain part time teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapters 354 and 354A, by adding sections.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education.

Patton, Moe, Biersdorf, Reding and Beauchamp introduced:

H. F. No. 909, A bill for an act relating to retirement; the highway patrolmen's retirement fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 352B.01, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Perpich introduced—

S. F. No. 852: A hill for an act relating to retirement; police and firemen's relief associations of the city of Chisholm.

Patton, Reding, Beauchamp, Hanson and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 1044, A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; increasing contributions; reducing penalty for early retirement; increasing interest on refunds; eliminating augmentation of deferred annuities; transferring the required reserves for a deferred annuity to the Minnesota adjustable fixed benefit fund; eligibility for proportionate annuities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 353.27, Subdivision 2; 353.30, Subdivisions 1, 1b and 3; 353.31, by adding subdivisions; 353.32, Subdivision 1; 353.34, Subdivision 2; 353.65, Subdivision 2; and 3; 353.657, by adding a subdivision; and 353.71, Subdivision 2; and 356.32, Subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

#### Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 1034, A bill for an act relating to retirement; purchase of service credit by certain state employees or former employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section '352.021 Subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 1046, A bill for an act relating to retirement; firemen's and police relief associations in cities of the first class; membership of new police officers and firefighters in the public employees police and fire fund; contributions and refunds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Messrs. Solon and Ulland, J. introduced-

S. F. No. 854: A bill for an act relating to the city of Duluth; firemen's survivor benefits; amending Laws 1975, Chapter 127. Section 2, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Stokowski and Peterson introduced-

S. F. No. 945: A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; increasing contributions; reducing penalty for early retirement; increasing interest on refunds; eliminating augmentation of deferred annuities; transferring the required reserves for a deferred annuity to the Minnesota adjustable fixed benefit fund; eligibility for proportionate annuities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 353.27, Subdivision 2; 353.30, Subdivisions 1, 1b, and 3; 353.31, by adding subdivisions; 353.32, Subdivision 1; 353.34, Subdivision 2; 353.65, Subdivisions 2 and 3; 353.657, by adding a subdivision; and 353.71, Subdivision 2; and 356.32, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 944: A bill for an act relating to retirement; purchase of service credit by certain state employees or former employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 352.021, Subdivision 3.

Wenzel, Sarna, Suss, Nelson, M., and Sieben, H., introduced:

H. F. No. 1152, A bill for an act relating to retirement; exemption from mandatory retirement for certain state employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 43.051, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

#### Stanton introduced:

II. F. No. 1158, A bill for an act relating to retirement; exemption from mandatory retirement age for state university system faculty; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.44, Subdivision 1a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

#### Stanton introduced:

H. F. No. 1222, A bill for an act relating to retirement; providing a proportionate annuity to certain teachers terminated by reason of dcclining enrollment; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 354.44, Subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Beauchamp, Patton, Reding, Biersdorf and Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 1306, A bill for an act relating to retirement; making judges eligible for combined service annuities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 356.80, Subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Messrs. Vega, Sikorski, Nelson and Chenoweth introduced-

S. F. No. 1256: A bill (or an act relating to retirement; exemption from mandatory retirement for certain state employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 43.051, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Sillers introduced-

S. F. No. 1038: A bill for an act relating to retirement; making judges eligible for combined service annuities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 356.30, Subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Milton introduced—

S. F. No. 1107: A bill for an act relating to retirement; computation of various public retirement annuities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 352.115, Subdivision 2; 352.93, Subdivision 1; 353.29, Subdivision 2; 353.651, Subdivision 2; and 354.44, Subdivision 6.

Moc, Faricy, Berglin, Niehaus and Albrecht introduced:

H. F. No. 1308, A bill for an act relating to retirement; deleting or repealing provisions of law setting a mandatory retirement age; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 69.29; and 422A.13, Subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 43.051; 325B.075; 354.44, Subdivision 1a; 354A.21; 423.075; 423.26; 490.025, Subdivision 4; 490.121, Subdivision 12; and 490.125.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Corbid, Eken and Prahl introduced:

H. F. No. 1311, A bill for an act relating to retirement; district court reporters salary deductions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.27, Subdivision 8.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Fugina introduced:

H. F. No. 1437, A bill for an act relating to the city of Gilbert; authorizing proportionate service pensions for firemen.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Mr. Milton introduced—

S. F. No. 1253: A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuity computation for certain public employees retirement annuitants.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Hughes, Stumpf, Merriam, Anderson and Sillers introduced—

S. F. No. 1359: A bill for an act relating to part time employment of teachers; establishing a teachers benefit fund administered by the teachers retirement association board for the payment of retirement contributions, insurance and benefits, and severance pay to certain qualified teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

#### Patton, Reding, Biersdorf and Beauchamp introduced:

H. F. No. 1572, A bill for an act relating to local firefighting organizations and retirement of police and firefighters; providing for state firefighters' aid to be paid first to municipalities and subsequently to relief associations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 69.011; 69.021, Subdivisions 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9; 69.031, Subdivisions 4, 5 and 6; 69.051; 69.06; 69.772, Subdivision 2; and Chapter 69, by adding sections; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 69.04; 69.691; 69.774; 424.26; 424.30 and 424.31.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

#### Cohen introduced:

H. F. No. 1628, A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting increases in annuities to certain deferred annuitants.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Go ernmental Operations.

Moe, Cummiskey and McDonald introduced:

H. F. No. 1632, A bill for an act relating to retirement; phasing out local police and firefighter's relief associations into the public employees police and fire fund.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Esau, McDonald and Den Ouden introduced:

H. F. No. 1646, A bill for an act relating to retirement; exclusions from membership in the public employees retirement association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Section 353.01, Subdivision 2b.

The hill was read for the first time and referred to the Com-

Mr. Nichols introduced-

S. F. No. 1437: A bill for an act relating to retirement; limiting the maximum amount of annuities or benefits payable by a public employees retirement fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Chapter 356, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Sieloff; Ulland, J.; Ueland, A. and Renneke introduced-

S. F. No. 1514: A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting increases in annuities to certain deferred annuitants.

Brandl introduced:

H. F. No. 1663, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing a combined service annuity and the purchase of prior service credit for certain university employees.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Berkelman and Lehto introduced:

H. F. No. 1700, A bill for an act relating to the city of Duluth; firemen's service pensions and survivor benefits.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Mr. Knoll introduced-

S. F. No. 1549: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing a combined service annuity and the purchase of prior service credit for certain university employees.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Solon introduced-

S. F. No. 1566: A bill for an act relating to the city of Duluth; firemen's service pensions and survivor benefits.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1528: A bill for an act relating to retirement; actuarial valuations and experience studies of various public retirement funds; amortization of unfunded accrued liabilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1976, Sections 356.215, Subdivision 4; 356.22, Subdivision 2; and 422A.08, Subdivision 2.