

TO: LCP&R

FROM: Steve Harrington, Commission Staff

RE: Brief Summary of Pension Legislation Enacted in 1979

DATE: June 15, 1979

1. Bills Which Became Law in 1979

During the 1979 Session of the Minnesota Legislature, more than 180 bills which concerned pension matters were introduced. In accordance with Minneosta Statutes, Section 3.85, 37 of these bills were heard and analyzed by the Commission members and staff. During the 1979 Session, 17 bills which relate directly to pensions became law. These bills can be classified as follows:

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| Statewide and Major Funds | 4 |
| 1st Class City Funds | 4 |
| Local Police and Fire Funds | 1 |
| Volunteer Fire Funds | 4 |
| Miscellaneous | 4 |

Other changes in pension law occurred through amendments to various bills.

2. Significant Changes

A. Statewide and Major Funds

Revised the statutory amortization target date contained in the general actuarial reporting law by replacing the former 1997 date with a 2009 date. Along with this change, a method was provided to revise the target date in the event of a change in actuarial assumptions or a revision of a plan

Granted a \$11.6 million post retirement benefit increase payable in two lump sum payments, one in December 1979 and one in December 1980. Each lump sum payment is calculated at the rate of \$15 per year of service credit per annuitant or benefit recipient. Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund is included along with the major statewide funds.

Raised the Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) employer matching contribution from 4% to 4 1/2% of payroll for Coordinated members, and from 8% to 8 1/2% of payroll for Basic members. The TRA employer additional contribution was raised from 3% to 3.05%.

Raised the Early Retirement Incentive maximum for TRA members from \$7200 to \$10,000. Vocational School teachers were also included in the program for the first time.

Transferred into Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) the members of the Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund (MMER) Coordinated plan. A second Social Security referendum was also authorized. The referendum will permit MMER Basic plan members to become PERA Coordinated members for all future service if they make the election.

Transferred the County and Probate Judges Survivor account to the Judges Retirement Fund.

Permitted certain current employees of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension covered by the Highway Patrol Fund and certain employees covered by the PERA Police and Fire Fund who will loose their sworn police officer status and therefore their fund eligibility to retain their public safety fund membership.

Limited to 2 years the term of office of PERA trustees who are not chosen by direct election of the membership

Clarified the exclusion of volunteer firefighters from pension coverage by the PERA Police and Fire Fund (PERA-P&F).

Authorized the inclusion of full time employees of the Cottage Grove Nonprofit Firefighting Corporation into the Public Employees Police and Fire Fund.

B. 1st Class City Funds

Provided to members of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association (St. Paul TRFA) a lump sum post retirement adjustment mechanism effective until December 31, 1982. The benefit increase will occur when the fund's investment income exceeds 5.5% during the year of the proposed benefit increase. The investment income in excess of 5.5% (to a maximum of 0.5%) is distributed in the form of a thirteenth check on the basis of each retiree's service credit.

Increased the employer contribution to the 1st class city teacher funds by the following percentages of payroll:

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| Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Assn. (DTRFA) | 0.0887% |
| Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Assn. | |
| (MTRFA) | 1.7987% |
| St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Assn. | |
| (StPTRFA) | 1.0787% |

Increased Minneapolis Municipal Basic Program employee contribution rate to; 9.0% effective January 1, 1980 and 10.0% effective January 1, 1981.

Consolidated the Coordinated program of the Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund (MMER) into PERA.

Recodified the law governing the First Class City Teachers Retirement Fund Associations and specified in detail the law governing the recently established MTRFA and StPTRFA Coordinated programs.

Provided a \$15,000 early retirement incentive for Minneapolis and St. Paul teachers.

C. Local Police and Fire Funds

Granted a \$30 per month post retirement benefit increase to retirees and benefit recipients of the Eveleth Joint Police and Firefighters Retirement Trust Fund.

Granted a \$50 per month increase to any surviving spouse of the Chisholm Police or the Chisholm Firefighters Relief Associations.

Authorized an increase in the service pensions and surviving spouse benefits payable from the Moorhead Police Relief Association and Moorhead Firefighters Relief Association.

D. Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations

Revised the substantive laws which govern volunteer firefighters relief associations, including the establishment of a set of flexible service pension maximums based on the financing available per firefighter.

Authorized an increase in the service pensions, disability benefits and surviving spouse benefits payable from the New Hope Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association.

Permitted the Windom Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association to purchase annuity contracts for retiring firefighters.

3. Miscellaneous

Set forward the effective date for the change to the age 70 mandatory retirement age applicable to most employees to January 1, 1979 and clarified various ambiguous provisions related to mandatory retirement.

Required the State Board of Investment to report to the Legislature on the use of common stock investments, the development of a residential property mortgage program and a short term lending program for Minnesota banks.

Raised the Income Tax Exemption on pension income from \$7200 to \$10,000. The \$10,000 exemption is reduced only by the amount that a person's federal adjusted gross income exceeds \$17,000.

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TO: LCP&R

FROM: Larry Martin, Exec.

RE: Laws 1979, Chapter 217: First Class City Teachers Retirement Fund Associations; Codification of Coordinated Program; Recodification of General Law

DATE: July 28, 1979

The legislation revised, updated and recodified the current statute chapter governing the three first class city teacher retirement fund associations and codified the provisions governing the recently established coordinated programs of the Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association (MTRFA) and the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association (StPTRFA).

The general statute chapter governing teacher retirement funds in cities of the first class, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 354A, is revised and updated to reflect the changes made over the last several sessions in the manner in which these retirement funds shall operate. The general law had been substantially unchanged since first enacted as authorizing legislation applicable to all cities with populations of at least 10,000 inhabitants in 1909. The changes modify existing statutes to reflect the application of the chapter to the three first class city teacher fund associations and adds statutory sections to specifically indicate the governing law applicable to the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association (DTRFA) coordinated program, the MTRFA basic program and the StPTRFA basic program.

The provisions governing the MTRFA and the StPTRFA coordinated programs are also codified. The prior special legislation which established each coordinated program by citation to the applicable provisions governing the coordinated program of the Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) is repealed and is replaced by the applicable codified provisions.

The MTRFA and StPTRFA coordinated programs normal retirement annuity is to be calculated by multiplying the retiring member's highest five successive years average salary by one percent for each year of the first ten years of service credit and one and one-half percent for each year of service credit thereafter. The retirement annuity is vested upon the coordinated member obtaining 10 years of service. The retirement annuity is payable without reduction for early retirement at age 65 if the retiring member has at least 10 years of service but less than 30 years of service or at age 62 if the retiring member has at least 30 years of service.

The MTRFA and StPTRFA coordinated programs disability benefit is the accrued coordinated program normal retirement annuity without reduction for early retirement, payable if the member is totally and permanently disabled and has 10 years of service if the member is under the age of 55 or five years of service if the member is age 55 or greater. The MTRFA and StPTRFA coordinated programs deceased active member's survivor benefit is a refund of the member's accumulated member contributions unless the member dies while being eligible to retire, whereupon the survivor will be entitled to a 50% joint and survivor annuity.

Other applicable benefit provisions parallel those which govern TRA.

TO: LCP&R

FROM: Larry Martin, Exec. Sec.

RE: Laws 1979, Chapter 201: General Revision of the Laws Governing
Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations

DATE: July 27, 1979

Laws 1979, Chapter 201 (SF 961 (Peterson)) made substantial revisions in the laws governing service pensions and retirement benefits payable from municipal volunteer firefighters relief associations and independent nonprofit firefighting corporation relief associations or retirement plans. The changes affected four major areas affecting volunteer firefighters' service pensions and retirement benefits: volunteer firefighters' service pension and retirement benefit authorization, entitlement and maximums; administration of volunteer firefighters relief associations; requirements of the volunteer firefighters relief association financing guidelines act; and legislative supervision and oversight of volunteer firefighters relief association operations.

Volunteer Firefighters' Service Pension and Retirement Benefit Authorization
Entitlement and Maximums

The most significant change made by the legislation is the replacement of the current single dollar figure volunteer firefighters' service pension maximums with a new flexible schedule of service pension maximums based on the financial ability of the relief association per firefighter to fund a certain service pension amount under the 1971 Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association Guidelines Act requirements. The financial ability of the relief association is calculated as the three year average per firefighter of fire state aid, municipal contributions and one-tenth of any surplus of assets of the special fund over the accrued liabilities.

In addition, the substantive law governing the provision of service pensions and other retirement benefits by municipal volunteer firefighters relief associations and independent nonprofit firefighting corporations is combined into a new statute chapter, Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 424A. Independent nonprofit firefighting corporations which have not done so already are required to establish a separate volunteer firefighters relief association (rather than the currently permitted non-segregated retirement plan). Independent nonprofit firefighting corporation volunteer firefighters' relief associations will be governed in comparable fashion to municipal fire department volunteer firefighters relief associations, which will include municipal representation on the relief association board of trustees.

Partial vesting for a service pension is also authorized, beginning with vesting for sixty percent of the accrued service pension amount at ten years of service credit and increasing at a level four percent rate per year of service credit to full vesting with 20 years of service credit. Volunteer firefighter relief associations paying a lump sum service pension are authorized to provide a periodic or installment payment of the service pension upon an irrevocable election by the retiring volunteer firefighter.

A limit was placed on the amount of pre-retirement ancillary benefits, such as disability, survivorship or funeral benefits, provided by all volunteer firefighters relief associations which were set at the amount of the service pension accrued to the date of disability or death, whichever is applicable. Volunteer firefighters' relief associations which provide lump sum service pensions are prohibited from providing post-retirement ancillary benefits.

The legislation also amended or repealed all conflicting current special laws in the area of existing special laws governing volunteer firefighters' service pension and retirement benefit authorization, entitlement and maximums.

Administration of Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations

The legislation requires that the board of each volunteer firefighters' relief association have three ex-officio municipal officials as board members in addition to six elected members of the board of trustees. If the relief association is subsidiary to an independent nonprofit firefighting corporation which contracts with more than one municipality, the ex-officio board members are required to be drawn one from each municipality. Each ex-officio board of trustee member is to have full powers of the office, except service as an officer of the board. The fiduciary duty of the board of trustees is clearly established as a duty to implement laws in conformance with the expressed intent of the Legislature and a duty to manage the fund in the best interests of the state, the taxpayers and the beneficiaries of the fund.

Each volunteer firefighters relief association is required to file a copy of its current bylaws with the Commissioner of Insurance on or before July 1, 1980. It shall also file a copy of its articles of incorporation or bylaw amendments immediately following approval of the bylaw or articles of incorporation by the applicable municipality or municipalities.

Requirements of the Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association Financing Guidelines Act

The legislation updates and clarifies a number of aspects of the Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association Financing Guidelines Act of 1971. Among the significant changes are the establishment of a procedure for volunteer firefighters relief associations which provide monthly benefit service pensions to set and revise the 20 year period to amortize the unfunded accrued liability of the relief association and the establishment of a procedure for the gradual realization of the amount of the relief association assets in excess of accrued liability to reduce the obligation of the municipality to meet normal cost. Volunteer firefighters' relief associations subsidiary to independent nonprofit firefighting corporations which provide lump sum service pensions are no longer required to have periodic actuarial valuations but are governed by the guidelines requirements applicable to municipal volunteer firefighters' relief associations which provide lump sum service pensions.

Legislative Supervision and Oversight of Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association Operations

The legislation increases legislative supervision and oversight of the operations of the various volunteer firefighters relief associations by requiring a biennial report by the State Auditor to the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement and to the Legislature. The biennial report is to include the aggregate total, aggregate benefit category and individual volunteer firefighters relief association financial and funding status results as reported in the annual financial report of the relief association for the applicable year.

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TO: LCP&R

FROM: Larry Martin, Exec. Sec.

RE: Legislation Remaining from the 1979 Session

DATE: July 27, 1979

There is a substantial amount of proposed legislation relating to retirement remaining from the 1979 Session which will be open for consideration by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement and the Legislature during the 1980 Session. Some of the bills have already been heard and recommended by the Commission, have passed either the House or the Senate or both in different versions and are awaiting final passage during the 1980 Session. The remaining bills have not yet been heard and recommended by the Commission. This memo summarizes the bills which have been heard and recommended by the Commission and are awaiting final passage. The attachment lists all of the remaining bills related to retirement which have not yet been considered by the Commission but which may be required to be addressed during the 1980 Session.

Commission Recommended Pending Legislation

- (a) SF 810 (Stokowski); HF 750 (Patton): Volunteer Firefighters Relief Associations; Restriction on Coverage for Certain Fire Chiefs.

The bill as amended and finally passed by the Senate (May 8, 1979, Journal Page 1693) prohibits any person who is employed as a fire chief (or is employed in a comparable administrative provision if the city has no designated position of fire chief) and is a member of PERA or PERA-P&F or a local salaried firefighters relief association from also being a member of or accruing service credit in a volunteer firefighters relief association while employed as a fire chief. The bill has not been heard or acted upon by the House Governmental Operations Committee or considered by the House.

- (b) SF 960 (Strand); HF 915 (Patton): Major Retirement Funds; Modification in Vesting Period for the Proportionate Annuity at Age 65 Law.

The bill was the omnibus retirement bill of the 1979 Session, having been amended in either the House or the Senate to include all or part of four bills heard and recommended by the Commission and one bill heard but not acted upon by the Commission. The bills included are:

- (1) SF 960 (Strand); HF 915 (Patton): Major Retirement Funds; Modification in Vesting Period for the Proportionate Annuity at Age 65 Law (Sections 3, 7, 10, 11, 14, 15, 22 and 23 of the attached unofficial engrossment). The bill as recommended by the Commission provided for a reduction in the service requirement for vesting for a retirement annuity under the proportionate annuity at age 65 provision from three years of service to one year of service and an increase in the maximum earnings amount allowed for a re-employed annuitant from MSRS, PERA or TRA to match the Social Security re-employed benefit recipient earnings maximum amount as currently set.

The House amended this portion of SF 960 on final passage (May 21, 1979, Journal Page 3189) to provide that the maximum earnings amount allowed for a re-employed annuitant from MSRS, PERA or TRA to be reset automatically to match the Social Security re-employed benefit recipient earnings maximum amount.

- (2) SF 785 (Strand); HF 1274 (Patton): TRA Administrative Bill (Sections 8, 9, 10, 12 and 13 of attached unofficial engrossment).

The bill as recommended by the Commission and passed by the House clarified the exclusion from TRA membership for part-time teachers with individual retirement account (IRA) retirement coverage, removed the dependency requirement for entitlement by a surviving spouse to receive a refund of accumulated employee contributions upon the death of an active member, established minimum qualifications for the position of TRA Executive Director, clarified eligibility for a proportionate annuity for teachers who terminate service during the academic year in which they attain age 65 and required the quarterly filing of evidence of receipt forms by TRA annuitants and benefit recipients.

- (3) SF 918 (Stokowski); HF 1002 (Patton): MSRS; Disability Benefits for Correctional Employees and Refund Applications (Sections 4, 5, 6 and 21 of attached unofficial engrossment).

The bill as recommended by the Commission provided for an improved disability benefit for correctional officers covered by the MSRS-Correctional Employees Retirement Plan based on an occupational inability definition of what constitutes a disability and reduced the waiting period for the application for a refund in the event of termination of employment or the transfer of employment to 30 days.

- (4) SF 1200 (Strand); HF 1220 (Moe): MSRS; MTC-Transit Operating Division Employees Retirement Fund Consolidation Clarification (Sections 1, 2, 16, 17, 18 and 19 of attached unofficial engrossment).

The bill as recommended by the Commission and passed by the House provided that service credit for part-time employees of the MTC-Transit Operating Division shall be prorated, clarified the amount of unfunded accrued liability which the MTC must amortize through a special employer additional amortization contribution following the recent actuarial determination of the consequences of the consolidation and clarified various ambiguities which remained following the 1978 MTC-TOD retirement fund consolidation legislation.

- (5) SF 209 (Tennessee); HF 86 (Long): MMER; Clarification of Elected Official Retirement Age Requirement (Sections 22 and 23 of attached unofficial engrossment).

The substance of the bill which was heard by the Commission and laid over (March 21, 1979) was amended to SF 960 in the House during final passage (May 21, 1979, Journal Page 3188) provided that a provision of MMER law applicable to membership in the fund is not to be interpreted as authorizing the payment of a retirement annuity to any former present or future eligible city official who has not attained the age of 60 or does not have 30 years of service credit.

The bill was passed in different versions on final passage by the House and the Senate and requires concurrence or non-concurrence and a conference committee request by the Senate prior to final enactment.

- (c) SF 1128 (Stokowski); HF 1192 (Patton): Local Police and Salaried Firefighters Relief Associations; Increase in Member Contributions

The bill was amended by the House (May 21, 1979, Journal Page 3066) to include three additional bills which were not heard or acted upon by the Commission. The bill includes:

- (1) SF 1128 (Stokowski); HF 1192 (Patton): Local Police and Salaried Firefighters Relief Associations; Increase in Member Contributions (Sections 1, 3 and 9 of attached unofficial engrossment)

The bill as recommended by the Commission provided for an increase in the minimum required contribution by members of local police and salaried firefighters relief associations, from 6% of salary to 8% of salary, with a 1% of salary increase to commence January 1, 1980 and another 1% of salary increase to commence January 1, 1981.

The Senate Governmental Operations Committee recommended that the bill be amended (April 26, 1979, Journal Page 1179) and the bill was amended to delay the two part increase in the minimum required member contribution until January 1, 1981 and January 1, 1982 respectively and to require that the House and Senate Committees on Governmental Operations study the benefit levels, administration and funding level of local police and firefighters relief associations and propose legislation on or before January 1, 1980. The House amended this portion of the bill on final passage (May 21, 1979, Journal Page 3069) to exclude the Austin Police and Austin Firefighters Relief Associations from the increase in the minimum required member contribution.

- (2) SF 425 (Kleinbaum); HF 350 (Patton): St. Cloud Police Relief Association; Benefit Increase (Sections 2, 4, 5 and 6 of the attached unofficial engrossment)

The included portion of the bill, which was not heard or acted upon by the Commission, provided for an increase in the surviving spouse benefit provided by the relief association from 18 units to 24 units, clarified the administration of the relief association during phase out and the eventual establishment of a trust fund and increased the member and municipal contributions of the relief association by one-quarter of one percent of salary.

- (3) SF 806 (Bang); HF 405 (Blatz): PERA-P&F membership for Bloomington Police Chief (Section 7 of attached unofficial engrossment)

The bill, which was not heard or acted upon by the Commission, provided that the current police chief in Bloomington shall be included as a member of PERA-P&F and shall not be required to be a member of the Bloomington Police Relief Association.

- (4) SF 1159 (Stokowski); HF 1044 (Novak): PERA-P&F membership for certain St. Anthony Firefighters (Section 8 of attached unofficial engrossment)

The bill, which was not heard or acted upon by the Commission, provided that certain full time employees of the City of St. Anthony who have firefighting responsibilities shall be entitled to retain PERA-P&F fund membership.

The bill was passed in different versions on final passage by the House and the Senate and requires concurrence or non-concurrence and a conference committee request by the Senate prior to final enactment.

- (d) SF 1199 (Strand); HF 1221 (Moe): MSRS; Administrative Bill

The bill was amended by the Senate (May 8, 1979, Journal Page 1708) to include an additional bill which was not heard or acted upon by the Commission. The bill includes:

- (1) SF 1199 (Strand); HF 1221 (Moe): MSRS; Administrative Bill (Sections 2 through 22 of the attached second engrossment of the Senate File)

The bill as recommended by the Commission made numerous modifications of a technical or administrative nature in the law governing MSRS, the most significant of which are making the requirement that each disabilitant undergo a periodic medical examination discretionary with the executive director, clarifying the eligibility for deputy, assistant or acting department heads to elect coverage in the MSRS-Unclassified Employees Retirement Plan, providing for a 30 day waiting period after termination of employment before entitlement to a withdrawal benefit from the MSRS Unclassified Plan and authorizing the repayment of a refund taken from the MSRS-Unclassified Plan at a rate of interest slightly higher than that usually charged on a repayment of a refund other plans and funds.

- (2) SF 326 (Chenoweth); HF _____): Legislators Retirement Plan; Increase in Service Requirement for Vesting (Section 1 of the attached second engrossment of the Senate File)

The substance of the bill as contained in the Senate amendment increases the minimum service requirement for vesting for a retirement allowance from the Legislators Retirement Plan from 6 years to 8 years.

The Senate File was substituted for the House File in the House (May 15, 1979, Journal Page 2358), but was not finally acted upon by the House prior to the end of the 1979 Session.

Discussion

A substantial portion of the proposed legislation considered and recommended by the Commission during the 1979 Session remained pending at the close of the 1979 Regular Session and was not acted upon at the 1979 Special Session. Some pieces of proposed legislation are in the final procedural stages of enactment unless there are substantive differences over the legislation between the House and the Senate.

During the June meeting of the Commission, there was discussion of a proposal to aggregate the various Commission recommended pension law changes into one or a few omnibus bills. A question occurs whether it would be appropriate for the Commission to proceed with the pending 1979 proposed legislation in the form in which they currently exist or whether the various pieces of proposed legislation should be redrafted into a single omnibus retirement bill. Irrespective of whichever procedural approach is taken, the Commission should formally consider those provisions contained in the pending bills which have not previously been considered or recommended by the Commission.

State of Minnesota \ LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT

TO: LCP&R

FROM: Steve Harrington, Commission Staff

RE: 1979 Legislation Pertaining to the Major Statewide Funds

DATE: June 15, 1979

A number of bills were acted upon by the 1979 Legislature which made changes in the laws governing the major statewide retirement funds; the Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS), the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA), and the Teachers Retirement Association (TRA).

1. MSRS

a. Regular MSRS Employees Fund

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (Section 10, HF 746) authorized an appropriation of \$2,893,845 to finance a post retirement increase to pre-July 1, 1973 retirees. The increase is a two time lump sum bonus of \$15 per year of service credit, payable December 1, 1979 and December 1, 1980.

b. Correctional Employees Plan

Laws 1979, Chapter 296 (Sec. 1, HF 907) increased the absolute mandatory retirement age for correctional employees from 55 to 65. Age 55 was retained as the conditional mandatory retirement age. For employment beyond age 55, the correctional employee must undergo an annual medical examination and receive approval of the appointing authority.

c. Highway Patrol Fund

Laws 1979, Chapter 262 (Section 1, HF 914) permits employees of the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension who were members of the Highway Patrol Fund on July 1, 1978, to remain members whether or not the members have powers of arrest with a warrant, which is otherwise a qualification for fund membership.

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (Section 10, HF 746) authorized an appropriation of \$129,661 to finance a post retirement increase for pre-July 1, 1973 retirees. The increase is a two time lump sum bonus of \$15 per year of service credit, payable December 1, 1979 and December 1, 1980.

2. PERA

a. PERA Regular Employee Fund

Laws 1979, Chapter 216 (HF 747) makes numerous technical amendments in PERA law, including a clarification of the exclusion of subsidized employees under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA), approval of a 4% post retirement increase to certain survivor benefit recipients who were omitted from a 1978 increase, and clarifies the term and selection process for the labor representative on the PERA Board.

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (Section 10, HF 746) authorized an appropriation of \$4,576,165 to finance a post retirement increase to pre-July 1, 1973 retirees. The increase is a two time lump sum bonus of \$15 per year of service credit, payable December 1, 1979 and December 1, 1980.

Laws 1979, Chapter 303 (Article VI, Sections 4-11, HF 1495) consolidated the Coordinated Program of MMER into PERA effective July 1, 1979. The accrued liability, assets and records of the MMER Coordinated Program are transferred to PERA. After July 1, 1979, the MMER Coordinated Program will cease to exist.

There is also authorized a second Social Security referendum on July 1, 1979, which permits Basic members to elect Social Security coverage and PERA Coordinated Program membership.

b. PERA Police and Fire Fund

Laws 1979, Chapter 120 (HF 192) permits Cottage Grove Firefighters to become members in the PERA-P&F Fund.

Laws 1979, Chapter 216 (Sections 1, 17, 18 and 21, HF 747) clarified the exclusion of volunteer firefighters from and the inclusion of part-time firefighters in PERA Police and Fire Fund membership.

Laws 1979, Chapter 262 (Section 2, HF 914) permits current PERA-Police and Fire Fund members who were members on July 1, 1978 to remain members even if they do not have the power to arrest with a warrant, which is otherwise a qualification for fund membership, if they remain employed by the same governmental unit and in the same department.

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (Section 10, HF 746) authorized an appropriation of \$202,761 to finance a post retirement increase to pre-July 1, 1973 retirees. The increase is a two-time lump sum bonus of \$15 per year of service credit, payable December 1, 1979 and December 1, 1980.

c. TRA

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (Section 1, HF 746) increased the employer matching contribution to the fund by 0.5% and the employer additional contribution to the fund ^{by} ~~additional contribution to the fund~~ by 0.05%, effective July 1, 1979. The additional financing for the fund for the next biennium is anticipated to be slightly more than \$11 million.

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (Section 10, HF 746) also authorized an appropriation of \$3,169,648 to finance a post retirement increase to pre-July 1, 1973 retirees. The increase is a two time lump sum bonus of \$15 per year of service credit, payable December 1, 1979 and December 1, 1980.

TO: LCP&R

FROM: Steve Harrington, Commission Staff

RE: 1979 Pension Legislation of a General Nature

DATE: June 15, 1979

There were 6 bills enacted by the 1979 Legislature which contained pension and pension related provisions of a general nature applicable to all or most of the public pension funds in the state. The following summarizes each bill:

Laws 1979, Chapter 40 (HF 157) makes a number of modifications in the mandatory retirement age legislation passed in 1978 to comply with the recent federal law governing mandatory retirement, primarily advancing the effective date of the 1978 legislation to January 1, 1979.

Laws 1979, Chapter 184 (HF 748) revised the statutory amortization target date contained in the general actuarial reporting law from 1997 to 2009. Along with this change, a method was provided to revise the amortization target date in the event that there is an increase in the unfunded accrued liability resulting from a benefit increase, a change in the actuarial assumptions used to value the fund or a change in the actuarial method used to value the fund. The new increment of unfunded accrued liability is amortized on its own separate 30 year amortization period and the periods for the new increment of unfunded accrued liability and the prior unfunded accrued liability are then weight-averaged to produce a new amortization target date.

Laws 1979, Chapter 333 (SF 1510) requires the State Board of Investment to report to the Legislature on the use of common stock investments, the development of a residential property mortgage program and a short term lending program for Minnesota banks.

Laws 1979, Chapter 216 (HF 747, Section 23) provides a 4% post retirement increase for certain survivor benefit recipients who were omitted from the 1978 post retirement increase.

Laws 1979, Chapter 293 (HF 746, Section 10) appropriates \$11,600,000 on December 1, 1979 to fund a post retirement adjustment. The adjustment is payable to pre-July 1, 1973 retirees who are age 65 on or before July 1, 1979 and pre-July 1, 1973 disabilitants and surviving spouses from the five statewide retirement funds (MSRS, PERA, TRA, Highway Patrol and PERA-Police and Fire) and to retirees who are age 65 on or before July 1, 1979 who receive the "2 bill and annuity" retirement annuity from the Minneapolis Municipal Employees Retirement Fund. The adjustment is two lump sum bonuses payable December 1, 1979 and December 1, 1980. The amount of each bonus is \$15 per year of service credit.

Laws 1979, Chapter 303 (HF 1495, Articles I and III) raises the income tax exemption on pension income to \$10,000 reduced only by the amount that the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income exceeds \$17,000. The inheritance tax exemption is also provided for annuity income derived from public pension programs in the state.

House Files

Patton, Enebo, Berglin and Norton introduced:

H. F. No. 1378, A bill for an act relating to retirement; establishing and empowering a temporary joint legislative and public commission on public pension policy; appropriating funds.

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

Vanasek introduced:

H. F. No. 27, A bill for an act relating to the city of Northfield; authorizing an increase in firemen's service pensions.

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

Senate Files

Mr. Humphrey introduced—

S. F. No. 21: A bill for an act relating to retirement; establishing and empowering a temporary joint legislative and public commission on public pension policy; appropriating funds.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Davies, Strand, Stokowski, Mrs. Knaak and Mr. Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 65: A bill for an act relating to retirement; restricting vesting of increases in public pension benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 356.18, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Tennessen, Strand, Ogdahl, Coleman and Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 78: A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the vesting period required for legislator's retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.02, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Purfeerst introduced—

S. F. No. 96: A bill for an act relating to the city of Northfield; authorizing an increase in firemen's service pensions.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Moe introduced—

S. F. No. 126: A bill for an act relating to the city of Crookston; contributions and benefits for members of the Crookston fire department relief association; amending Laws 1971, Chapter 51, Sections 10, Subdivision 3; and 14, Subdivisions 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, and 11.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Prahl, Begich, Lehto, Long and Elioff introduced:

H. F. No. 50, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing purchase of allowable service credit by a certain member of the public employees retirement association.

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

McDonald; Johnson, C.; Anderson, B.; Onnen and Adams introduced:

H. F. No. 83, A bill for an act relating to retirement; establishing and empowering a division of actuary review in the office of legislative auditor; requiring actuarial notes on all bills affecting public pensions; providing penalties.

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

Enebo introduced:

H. F. No. 115, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the purchase of prior service credit by certain court reporters.

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

Hoberg; Evans; Anderson, R.; Murphy and Elioff introduced:

H. F. No. 146, A bill for an act relating to retirement; directing recalculation of certain annuities and benefits paid by the teachers retirement association; appropriating funds.

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

Mr. Lessard introduced—

S. F. No. 537: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing purchase of allowable service credit by a certain member of the public employees retirement association.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Davies introduced—

S. F. No. 250: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the purchase of prior service credit by certain court reporters.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Peterson and Strand introduced—

S. F. No. 912: A bill for an act relating to retirement; directing recalculation of certain annuities and benefits paid by the teachers retirement association; appropriating funds.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Luknic; Johnson, D.; Heap; Vanasek and Hoberg introduced:

H. F. No. 172, A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the minimum period of service required to qualify for legislators retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.02, Subdivision 1.

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

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Eken, McEachern, Esau, Johnson, C., and Knickerbocker introduced:

H. F. No. 223, A bill for an act relating to education; providing that the early retirement incentive be paid at the time and in the manner agreed upon by a teacher and the board of the employing school district; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 125.61, Subdivision 4.

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

Dean introduced:

✓ H. F. No. 233, A bill for an act relating to retirement; judicial service credit for referees in juvenile court; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 490.121, Subdivision 4.

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

Carlson, L.; Zubay; Swanson; Elioff and Heap introduced:

H. F. No. 693, A bill for an act relating to education; extending the teacher mobility incentives to certain teachers in the vocational center schools, area vocational-technical schools, community colleges and state universities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 125.60, Subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3, 6 and 7, and by adding subdivisions; 125.61, Subdivisions 1, 2, 4 and 6 and by adding subdivisions; 354.094, Subdivisions 2 and 5; 354.66, Subdivisions 1, 2, 7 and 10, and by adding subdivisions; 354.69; and 354A.091, Subdivision 1.

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

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

S. F. No. 315: A bill for an act relating to education; providing that the early retirement incentive be paid at the time and in the manner agreed upon by a teacher and the board of the employing school district; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 125.61, Subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Education. Mr. Chenoweth questioned the reference thereon and, under Rule 35, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Messrs. Ogdahl and Keefe, J. introduced—

S. F. No. 304: A bill for an act relating to retirement; judicial service credit for referees in juvenile court; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 490.121, Subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Hughes, Anderson, Moe, Ashbach and Chenoweth introduced—

S. F. No. 210: A bill for an act relating to education; extending the teacher mobility incentives to certain teachers in the vocational center schools, area vocational-technical schools, community colleges and state universities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 125.60, Subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3, 6 and 7, and by adding subdivisions; 125.61, Subdivisions 1, 2, 4 and 6, and by adding subdivisions; 354.094, Subdivisions 2 and 5; 354.66, Subdivisions 1, 2, 7 and 10, and by adding subdivisions; 354.69; and 354A.091, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Kvam; Olsen; Johnson, C.; Ainley and Elioﬀ introduced:

H. F. No. 773, A bill for an act relating to education; extending teacher mobility incentives to area vocational-technical school teachers; providing for approval of certain extended leaves of absence; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 125.60, Subdivision 2, and by adding subdivisions; 125.61, Subdivision 1, and by adding subdivisions; 354.66, Subdivision 2, and by adding subdivisions; 354.69; and 354A.091, Subdivision 1.

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

Rose, Valento, Novak, Fritz and Osthoﬀ introduced:

H. F. No. 179, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing an increase in service pensions for members of the Lake Johanna Volunteer Firemen's Benefit Association; amending Laws 1975, Chapter 124, Section 1.

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

Prahl, Otis and Battaglia introduced:

H. F. No. 154, A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting certain military service credit for teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

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

Kempe introduced:

H. F. No. 159, A bill for an act relating to the city of Mendota Heights; authorizing an increase in firefighters' service pensions; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 173, Section 1, Subdivisions 1 and 2.

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

Messrs. Bernhagen, Merriam, Sillers, Rued and Hughes introduced—

F. No. 169: A bill for an act relating to education; extending teacher mobility incentives to area vocational-technical school teachers; providing for approval of certain extended leaves of absence; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 125.60, Subdivisions 2, and by adding subdivisions; 125.61, Subdivision 1, and by adding subdivisions; 354.66, Subdivision 2, and by adding subdivisions; 354.69; and 354A.091, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Ashbach and Mrs. Knaak introduced—

S. F. No. 184: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing an increase in service pensions for members of the Lake Johanna Volunteer Firemen's Benefit Association; amending Laws 1975, Chapter 124, Section 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Lessard introduced—

S. F. No. 292: A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting certain military service credit for teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Knutson introduced—

S. F. No. 256: A bill for an act relating to the city of Mendota Heights; authorizing an increase in firefighters' service pensions; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 173, Section 1, Subdivisions 1 and 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Metzen, Adams, Patton, Olsen and Osthoff introduced:

H. F. No. 1269, A bill for an act relating to retirement; state payment of social security taxes and employer's retirement contribution for school district employees who are members of the public employees retirement association; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 355.41, Subdivision 4; 355.46, Subdivision 3; 355.49; and Chapter 353, by adding a section.

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

Patton and Pehler introduced:

H. F. No. 350, A bill for an act relating to the city of St. Cloud; policemen's relief association administration and benefits; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 432, Sections 2, by adding a subdivision; 4; 5, Subdivisions 1 and 2; and 6, Subdivision 1; repealing Laws 1973, Chapter 432, Sections 5, Subdivision 5; 6, Subdivision 2; and 9, Subdivision 2.

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

Patton, Niehaus and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 358, A bill for an act relating to retirement; transferring tax court judges to the judge's retirement fund; transferring funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352.01, Subdivisions 2A and 2B; and 490.121, Subdivision 2; repealing Laws 1978, Chapters 672, Sections 14 and 15; and 720, Section 23.

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

Kahn, Greenfield, Casserly, Laidig and Berglin introduced:

✓ H. F. No. 434, A bill for an act relating to the state board of investment; prohibiting certain investments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 11.13; and 11.16, Subdivision 13.

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

Messrs. Vega, Strand, Hughes and Chenoweth introduced—

S. F. No. 308: A bill for an act relating to retirement; state payment of social security taxes and employer's retirement contribution for school district employees who are members of the public employees retirement association; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 355.41, Subdivision 4; 355.46, Subdivision 3; 355.49; and Chapter 353, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Kleinbaum, Stokowski and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 425: A bill for an act relating to the city of St. Cloud; policemen's relief association administration and benefits; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 432, Sections 2, by adding a subdivision; 4; 5, Subdivisions 1 and 2; and 6, Subdivision 1; repealing Laws 1973, Chapter 432, Sections 5, Subdivision 5; 6, Subdivision 2; and 9, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Kleinbaum and Schrom introduced—

S. F. No. 517: A bill for an act relating to retirement; transferring tax court judges to the judge's retirement fund; transferring funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352.01, Subdivisions 2A and 2B; and 490.121, Subdivision 2; repealing Laws 1978, Chapters 672, Sections 14 and 15; and 720, Section 23.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Spear; Lewis; Keefe, S. and Dieterich introduced—

S. F. No. 391: A bill for an act relating to the state board of investment; prohibiting certain investments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 11.13; and 11.16, Subdivision 13.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Faricy introduced:

H. F. No. 558, A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting increases in annuities to certain deferred annuitants; appropriating funds.

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

Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 283, A bill for an act relating to the state board of investment; requiring investment of certain retirement funds in bank and savings and loan association certificates and accounts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 11.16, Subdivision 14.

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

Messrs. Sieloff, Ogdahl, Stumpf, Chenoweth and Dieterich introduced—

S. F. No. 244: A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting increases in annuities to certain deferred annuitants; appropriating funds.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Merriam introduced—

S. F. No. 295: 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 1978, Section 352B.10; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352.113, Subdivision 5; 353.33, Subdivision 5; and 353.656, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Nelson, Vega, Nichols and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 300: A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the minimum period of service required to qualify for legislators retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.02, Subdivision 1; and 3A.10, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Patton, Biersdorf, Sieben, H., and Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 474, A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing annuities and benefits for certain annuitants, disabilitants and survivors of the highway patrolmen's retirement fund; appropriating funds.

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

Reding and Redalen introduced:

H. F. No. 495, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the purchase of prior service by certain county commissioners.

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

Anderson, B.; Berglin; Patton and Luknic introduced:

H. F. No. 1006, A bill for an act relating to private and public pensions; requiring notice be given by employer to an employee's spouse of certain pension options; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapters 181B, by adding a section; and 356, by adding a section.

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

Kahn, Searle, Welker, Dean and Berkelman introduced:

H. F. No. 684, A bill for an act relating to appropriations; converting certain open appropriations for retirement to direct appropriations; abolishing other open appropriations for retirement; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.03, Subdivision 2; 3A.04, Subdivisions 3 and 4; 136.81, Subdivision 1; 352.04, Subdivision 5; 352.73, Subdivision 3; 352B.25; 352C.04, Subdivision 3; 352C.09, Subdivision 2; 353.83; 354.55, Subdivision 5; 354A.12; 355.46, Subdivision 3; 355.50; 490.123, Subdivision 1; Chapter 16A, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.11, Subdivision 3; 352.73, Subdivision 4; 354.43, Subdivision 2; and 490.025, Subdivision 8.

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

Messrs. Kleinbaum, Stokowski and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1411: A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing annuities and benefits for certain annuitants, disabilitants and survivors of the highway patrolmen's retirement fund; appropriating funds.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Gunderson introduced—

S. F. No. 690: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the purchase of prior service by certain county commissioners.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mrs. Staples, Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Brataas, Messrs. Stokowski and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 536: A bill for an act relating to private and public pensions; requiring notice be given by employer to an employee's spouse of certain pension options; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapters 181B, by adding a section; and 356, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Moe introduced—

S. F. No. 548: A bill for an act relating to appropriations; converting certain open appropriations for retirement to direct appropriations; abolishing other open appropriations for retirement; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.03, Subdivision 2; 3A.04, Subdivisions 3 and 4; 136.81, Subdivision 1; 352.04, Subdivision 5; 352.73, Subdivision 3; 352B.25; 352C.04, Subdivision 3; 352C.09, Subdivision 2; 353.83; 354.55, Subdivision 5; 354A.12; 355.46, Subdivision 3; 355.50; 490.123, Subdivision 1; Chapter 16A, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.11, Subdivision 3; 352.73, Subdivision 4; 354.43, Subdivision 2; and 490.025, Subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Wigley, Piepho, Jennings, Dempsey and Vanasek introduced:

✓ H. F. No. 417, A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the service requirement for the legislator's retirement program; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.02, Subdivision 1; and 3A.03, Subdivision 2.

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

Levi; Sieben, M.; Pavlak and Minne introduced:

H. F. No. 431, A bill for an act relating to retirement; allowing early vesting of firefighters pensions in plans operated by nonprofit corporations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 69.691, Subdivision 2.

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

Patton, Sarna, Rice, Moe and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 437, A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers; increasing employer and employer additional contributions; age for selecting joint and survivor annuities; interest on certain refunds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 354.42, Subdivisions 3 and 5; 354.46, Subdivision 2; and 354.49, Subdivision 2.

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

Messrs. Hughes, Sikorski, Stokowski, Renneke and Knutson introduced—

S. F. No. 494: A bill for an act relating to retirement; allowing early vesting of firefighters pensions in plans operated by nonprofit corporations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 69.691, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Solon, Vega, Stokowski, Nelson and Perpich introduced—

S. F. No. 472: A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers; increasing employer and employer additional contributions; age for selecting joint and survivor annuities; interest on certain refunds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 354.42, Subdivisions 3 and 5; 354.46, Subdivision 2; and 354.49, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Sillers, Strand and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 453: A bill for an act relating to retirement; judicial retirement; extending pension portability mechanisms to judges; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 356.30, Subdivision 3; and Chapter 490, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 622, A bill for an act relating to retirement; providing a surviving spouse annuity to certain surviving spouses of certain former members of the public employees retirement association.

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

Patton, Biersdorf and Sarna introduced:

H. F. No. 625, A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; authorizing the acquisition of real estate and the construction of a building thereon; authorizing a lease with the state and specifying minimum rents; appropriating money.

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

Prahl, Otis, Stowell and Battaglia introduced:

H. F. No. 676, A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting certain military service credit for teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

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

Patton, Biersdorf, Kaley and Sarna introduced:

H. F. No. 737, A bill for an act relating to retirement; highway patrolmen; extending survivor benefit coverage to certain disabled employees; providing for increased employee and employer contributions and for an annual post retirement increase to certain retirees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352B.02, Subdivision 1; 352B.11, Subdivision 2; and Chapter 352B, by adding a section.

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

Messrs. Kleinbaum, Stokowski and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1412: A bill for an act relating to retirement; providing a surviving spouse annuity to certain surviving spouses of certain former members of the public employees retirement association.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Lessard introduced—

S. F. No. 761: A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting certain military service credit for teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.53, Subdivisions 1 and 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Peterson, Ogdahl and Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 898: A bill for an act relating to retirement; highway patrolmen; extending survivor benefit coverage to certain disabled employees; providing for increased employee and employer contributions and for an annual post retirement increase to certain retirees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352B.02, Subdivision 1; 352B.11, Subdivision 2; and Chapter 352B, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

McEachern, Kalis, Esau, Murphy and Long introduced:

H. F. No. 553, A bill for an act relating to education; prohibiting teachers on certain extended leaves of absence from receiving retirement service credit for teaching part of a year; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.091.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Anderson, I., objected to the reference and the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration.

Anderson, R., introduced:

H. F. No. 575, A bill for an act relating to the city of Wadena; increasing payments for firefighters' relief association service pensions; amending Laws 1976, Chapter 208, Section 1.

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

Drew, Fritz, Crandall, Valento and Pavlak introduced:

H. F. No. 1189, A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuities and benefits under certain public retirement plans; appropriating funds.

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

Voss and Jacobs introduced:

H. F. No. 803, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring a school board to grant certain extended leaves of absence; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 125.60, Subdivision 2.

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

Mr. Merriam introduced—

S. F. No. 580: A bill for an act relating to education; prohibiting teachers on certain extended leaves of absence from receiving retirement service credit for teaching part of a year; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.091.

Referred to the Committee on Education. Mr. Chenoweth questioned the reference thereon and, under Rule 35, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Mr. Peterson introduced—

S. F. No. 647: A bill for an act relating to the city of Wadena; increasing payments for firefighters' relief association service pensions; amending Laws 1976, Chapter 208, Section 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Rued, Sieloff and Sillers introduced—

S. F. No. 617: A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuities and benefits under certain public retirement plans; appropriating funds.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Merriam, Nelson, Hanson, Peterson and Anderson introduced—

S. F. No. 625: A bill for an act relating to education; requiring a school board to grant certain extended leaves of absence; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 125.60, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Patton, Biersdorf and Sarna introduced:

H. F. No. 1001, 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 1978, Sections 353.01, Subdivision 6; and 353.022.

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

Dempsey; Anderson, B.; Welker; Wenzel and Ludeman introduced:

H. F. No. 879, A bill for an act relating to retirement; disposition of state police aid to municipalities and counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 69.031, Subdivision 5.

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

Kostohryz introduced:

H. F. No. 849, A bill for an act relating to the city of Maplewood; authorizing the payment of lump sum service pensions by the Maplewood firefighters relief association.

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

Patton and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 1273, A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; reducing penalty for early retirement; increasing interest on refunds; providing for coordinated survivor benefits and survivor benefits after retirement; increasing the amount retirees may earn in public service without affecting the payment of their annuity; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 353.30, Subdivisions 1, 1b, 1c, and 3; 353.31, by adding subdivisions; 353.32, Subdivision 1; 353.34, Subdivision 2; 353.37, Subdivision 1; and 353.657, by adding a subdivision.

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

Messrs. Stokowski, Ogdahl and Strand introduced—

S. F. No. 764: 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 1978, Sections 353.01, Subdivision 6; and 353.022.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Jensen, Peterson, Wegener, Setzepfandt and Dunn introduced—

S. F. No. 778: A bill for an act relating to retirement; disposition of state police aid to municipalities and counties; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 69.031, Subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Hughes introduced—

S. F. No. 1396: A bill for an act relating to the city of Maplewood; authorizing the payment of lump sum service pensions by the Maplewood firefighters relief association.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 901: A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; reducing penalty for early retirement; increasing interest on refunds; providing for coordinated survivor benefits and survivor benefits after retirement; increasing the amount retirees may earn in public service without affecting the payment of their annuity; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 353.30, Subdivisions 1, 1b, 1c, and 3; 353.31, by adding subdivisions; 353.32, Subdivision 1; 353.34, Subdivision 2; 353.37, Subdivision 1; and 353.657, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 903: A bill for an act relating to the public employees retirement association; authorizing the acquisition of real estate and the construction of a building thereon; authorizing a lease with the state and specifying minimum rents; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Johnson and Solon introduced—

S. F. No. 944: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the purchase of prior service credit by certain members of the public employees retirement association.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 955: A bill for an act relating to retirement; providing for a reimbursement for one-half of certain employer contributions made to certain public employee retirement funds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 69.77, by adding a subdivision; 353.28, by adding a subdivision; 353.65, by adding a subdivision; and Chapter 422A, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 957: A bill for an act relating to retirement; providing periodic percentage post retirement increases in certain annuities and benefits; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Sarna, Patton and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 1076, A bill for an act relating to retirement; public employees retirement association; purchase of prior service by certain elected officials.

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

Berglin, Moe, Patton and Norman introduced:

H. F. No. 1133, A bill for an act relating to retirement; Minneapolis municipal employees; providing for increased contributions; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 422A.08, Subdivision 2, and by adding a subdivision; and 422A.10, Subdivision 1; and Chapter 355, by adding a section.

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

Patton, Biersdorf, Moe, Kaley and Sarna introduced:

H. F. No. 1136, A bill for an act relating to retirement; judges' retirement age and benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 490.121, Subdivision 10; and 490.124, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 5, and by adding a subdivision.

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

Patton, Brinkman, Welch, Pehler and Niehaus introduced:

H. F. No. 1159, A bill for an act relating to retirement; Minnesota state retirement system correctional employees retirement plan; eliminating the social security offset for certain retired and active correctional officers.

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

Mr. Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1145: A bill for an act relating to retirement; judges' retirement age and benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 490.121, Subdivision 10; and 490.124, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 5, and by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Kleinbaum, Stokowski and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1410: A bill for an act relating to retirement; Minnesota state retirement system correctional employees retirement plan; eliminating the social security offset for certain retired and active correctional officers.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Carlson, D., introduced:

H. F. No. 961, A bill for an act relating to retirement; membership of soil and water conservation district employees in the public employees retirement association; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 353.01, Subdivisions 2a and 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 353.022.

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

Swanson; Nelsen, B.; Tomlinson; Reding and Olsen introduced:

H. F. No. 987, A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers; exempting certain part-time area vocational-technical institute instructors from teacher's retirement membership; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.05, Subdivision 2.

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

Kaley, Patton, Biersdorf, Moe and Heinitz introduced:

H. F. No. 1041, A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuities and benefits under certain public retirement plans; appropriating funds.

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

Moe, Patton, Kaley, Biersdorf and Sarna introduced:

H. F. No. 1061, A bill for an act relating to Minnesota retirement funds; concerning the fixed return account; clarifying early redemption valuations for organizational participants; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 11.18, Subdivision 3a.

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

Messrs. Ueland A.; Peterson and Renneke introduced—

S. F. No. 1019: A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers; exempting certain part-time area vocational-technical institute instructors from teacher's retirement membership; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.05, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1091: A bill for an act relating to retirement; annuities and benefits under certain public retirement plans; appropriating funds.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1092: A bill for an act relating to Minnesota retirement funds; concerning the fixed return account; clarifying early redemption valuations for organizational participants; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 11.18, Subdivision 3a.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Moe introduced:

H. F. No. 1210, A bill for an act relating to retirement; specifying authorized investments for all public retirement funds; clarifying certain limitations on investments; providing for uniform valuation and reporting of investment securities; specifying a procedure for the recognition of unrealized equity investment appreciation; providing a procedure for the calculation of a uniform rate of return on investments; requiring a report by the state board of investment in order to implement certain investment limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 11.16; 11.18, Subdivisions 2, 3, 3a, 4 and 5; 11.19; 11.25, Subdivisions 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 16; 69.051, Subdivision 1; 69.77, Subdivision 2; 69.775; 352.061; 352B.05; 353.06; 354.07, Subdivisions 4 and 5; 354A.08; 356.20, Subdivisions 3 and 4, and by adding subdivisions; 422A.05, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 4; 423.389; 423.60; and 490.123, Subdivision 3; and Chapter 356, by adding a section.

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

Moe and Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 1219, A bill for an act relating to retirement; clarifying various ambiguous and erroneous references and provisions affecting various retirement plans and funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.01, Subdivision 7; 69.031, Subdivision 6; 69.051, Subdivision 1; 69.691, Subdivision 1; 118.01; 275.50, Subdivision 5; 353.36, Subdivision 2; 354.05, Subdivision 25; 354.091; 354.092; 354.094; 354.44, Subdivisions 4, 6 and 7; 354.66; 356.20, Subdivision 2; 356.216; 356.24; 356.25; 356.32, Subdivision 1; 356.60, Subdivision 1; 422A.09, Subdivision 3; 422A.32, Subdivisions 1 and 2; 422A.35, Subdivisions 2 and 3; and 490.121, Subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.55, Subdivision 6; Laws 1978, Chapter 538, Section 6.

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

Dempsey introduced:

H. F. No. 1261, A bill for an act relating to the city of New Ulm; authorizing an increase in firefighters service pensions and death and disability benefits; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 182, Section 1, as amended.

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

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 1198: A bill for an act relating to retirement; specifying authorized investments for all public retirement funds; clarifying certain limitations on investments; providing for uniform valuation and reporting of investment securities; specifying a procedure for the recognition of unrealized equity investment appreciation; providing a procedure for the calculation of a uniform rate of return on investments; requiring a report by the state board of investment in order to implement certain investment limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 11.16; 11.18, Subdivisions 2, 3, 3a, 4 and 5; 11.19; 11.25, Subdivisions 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 16; 69.051, Subdivision 1; 69.77, Subdivision 2; 69.775; 352.061; 352B.05; 353.06; 354.07, Subdivisions 4 and 5; 354A.08; 356.20, Subdivisions 3 and 4, and by adding subdivisions; 422A.05, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 4; 423.389; 423.60; and 490.123 Subdivision 3; and Chapter 356, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Strand, Stokowski, Peterson and Renneke and Ogdahl introduced—

S. F. No. 1201: A bill for an act relating to retirement; clarifying various ambiguous and erroneous references and provisions affecting various retirement plans and funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 3A.01, Subdivision 7; 69.031, Subdivision 6; 69.051, Subdivision 1; 69.691, Subdivision 1; 118.01; 275.50, Subdivision 5; 353.36, Subdivision 2; 354.05, Subdivision 25; 354.091; 354.092; 354.094; 354.44, Subdivisions 4, 6 and 7; 354.66; 356.20, Subdivision 2; 356.216; 356.24; 356.25; 356.32, Subdivision 1; 356.60; Subdivision 1; 422A.09, Subdivision 3; 422A.32, Subdivisions 1 and 2; 422A.35, Subdivisions 2 and 3; and 490.121, Subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.55, Subdivision 6; Laws 1978, Chapter 538, Section 6.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Jensen introduced—

S. F. No. 1251: A bill for an act relating to the city of New Ulm; authorizing an increase in firefighters service pensions and death and disability benefits; amending Laws 1973, Chapter 182, Section 1, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Patton and Osthoff introduced:

✓ H. F. No. 1161, A bill for an act relating to retirement; public employees retirement association; exclusion from pension coverage for certain tradesmen of the city of St. Paul and Independent School District No. 625 (St. Paul); amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 353.01, Subdivision 2b.

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

Pavlak introduced:

H. F. No. 1168, A bill for an act relating to retirement; providing an exception to the 40 year maximum in computation of public pensions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 356.60, Subdivision 3.

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

Patton, Biersdorf, Moe, Sarna and Anderson, I., introduced:

H. F. No. 1194, A bill for an act relating to retirement; establishing a new board of directors for the Minnesota state retirement system and the public employees retirement association; abolishing existing boards; transferring records and personnel; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352.03, Subdivisions 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15 and 16 and by adding a subdivision; and 353.03, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 352.029, Subdivision 5; 352.03, Subdivisions 1, 1a, and 2; and 353.03, Subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 3, and 3a.

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

Prahl, Otis and Welch introduced:

H. F. No. 1197, A bill for an act relating to retirement; granting survivor benefits to a certain surviving spouse of a deceased member of the public employees retirement association.

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

Stowell, Nysether and Sviggum introduced:

H. F. No. 1277, A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the minimum period of service required to qualify for legislators retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.02, Subdivision 1.

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

Stowell and Fritz introduced:

H. F. No. 1278, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the purchase of non-Minnesota teaching service in the teachers retirement association by certain members; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapter 354, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.09.

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

Norman, Drew, Mehrkens, Valan and Hoberg introduced:

H. F. No. 1535, A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the vesting period required for legislator's retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.02, Subdivision 1.

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

Welker, Weaver, Ludeman, Ainley and Nysether introduced:

H. F. No. 1294, A bill for an act relating to retirement; legislators retirement plan; providing for an election to be excluded from retirement coverage; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.01, Subdivision 3; and Chapter 3A, by adding a section.

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

Messrs. Renneke, Dunn, Purfeerst, Wegener and Engler introduced—

S. F. No. 1278: A bill for an act relating to retirement; increasing the vesting period required for legislator's retirement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.02, Subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Ashbach introduced—

S. F. No. 1496: A bill for an act relating to retirement; legislators retirement plan; providing for an election to be excluded from retirement coverage; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 3A.01, Subdivision 3; and Chapter 3A, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Adams, Wenzel, Patton, Osthoff and Kaley introduced:

H. F. No. 1315, A bill for an act relating to retirement; directing the legislative commission on pensions and retirement to study the 40 year service credit maximum and the appropriate employee contribution rate for public pension fund members affected; requiring report.

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

Moe, Patton, Biersdorf and Kaley introduced:

H. F. No. 1275, A bill for an act relating to Minnesota retirement funds; concerning the fixed return account; clarifying early redemption valuations for organizational participants; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 11.18, Subdivision 3a. 40

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

Patton and Biersdorf introduced:

H. F. No. 1276, A bill for an act relating to retirement; state payment of employer's retirement contributions for members of the public employees retirement association; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 353.27, Subdivisions 3, 3a, 4, 7, 9, 11, and 12; and Chapter 353, by adding a section; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 353.28.

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

Battaglia, Elioff, Hoberg, Murphy and Kroening introduced:

H. F. No. 1448, A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers; authorizing purchase of certain prior service credit; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.51, by adding a subdivision.

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

Mr. Humphrey introduced—

S. F. No. 1268: A bill for an act relating to retirement; directing the legislative commission on pensions and retirement to study the 40 year service credit maximum and the appropriate employee contribution rate for public pension fund members affected; requiring report.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Johnson and Solon introduced—

S. F. No. 1276: A bill for an act relating to retirement; teachers; authorizing purchase of certain prior service credit; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.51, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Ueland, A.; Knutson; Stokowski; Dieterich and Dunn introduced—

S. F. No. 1304: A bill for an act relating to education; decreasing the number of years of allowable service required for benefits under a teacher mobility provision; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 354.66, Subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Berkelman, Jaros, Munger and Lehto introduced:

H. F. No. 1402, A bill for an act relating to retirement; extending the combined service annuity to members of the University of Minnesota faculty plan; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 356.30, Subdivision 3.

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. 1347: A bill for an act relating to retirement; extending the combined service annuity to members of the University of Minnesota faculty plan; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 356.30, Subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Chenoweth, McCutcheon, Schaaf and Humphrey introduced—

S. F. No. 1355: A bill for an act relating to retirement; eliminating corporate common stock as a permissible investment for the Minnesota adjustable fixed benefit fund; providing for an automatic post retirement adjustment mechanism indexed to the consumer price index with certain limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 11.25, Subdivisions 2, 4, 5, and by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 11.25, Subdivisions 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Wenzel, Brinkman, Byrne, Novak and Faricy introduced:

H. F. No. 1398, A bill for an act relating to retirement; directing post retirement lump sum payments to certain annuitants, disabilitants and survivors; appropriating funds.

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

Anderson, B.; Elioff; Kvam; Onnen and Welch introduced:

H. F. No. 1456, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing retirement plans for certain ambulance drivers and attendants; providing for the financing thereof.

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

Jaros introduced:

H. F. No. 1462, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing purchase of allowable service credit by certain members of the teachers retirement fund for prior service as nonpublic school teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapter 354, by adding a section.

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

Sarna and Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 1614, A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association to permit the purchase of military service credit by certain members.

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

Moe and Patton introduced:

H. F. No. 1622, A bill for an act relating to retirement; disability retirement benefits; clarifying the various statutory provisions governing the entitlement for, payment of and computation of a disability benefit; creating a statewide review committee on disability benefits; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 69.41; 69.43; 69.44; 352.01, Subdivisions 17 and 22, and by adding subdivisions; 352.113; 352B.01, by adding subdivisions; 352B.10; 352B.105; 352D.065, Subdivisions 2 and 3; 353.01, Subdivision 19, and by adding a subdivision; 353.33, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6a, 6b, 7, 8, 9 and 11, and by adding subdivisions; 353.656, Subdivisions 1, 3,

Mr. Menning introduced—

S. F. No. 1404: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing retirement plans for certain ambulance drivers and attendants; providing for the financing thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Solon introduced—

S. F. No. 1417: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing purchase of allowable service credit by certain members of the teachers retirement fund for prior service as nonpublic school teachers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Chapter 354, by adding a section.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Stokowski introduced—

S. F. No. 1591: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association to permit the purchase of military service credit by certain members.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Stokowski and Strand introduced—

S. F. No. 1589: A bill for an act relating to retirement; disability retirement benefits; clarifying the various statutory provisions governing the entitlement for, payment of and computation of a disability benefit; creating a statewide review committee on disability benefits; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 69.41; 69.43; 69.44; 352.01, Subdivisions 17 and 22, and by adding subdivisions; 352.113; 352B.01, by adding subdivisions; 352B.10; 352B.105; 352D.065, Subdivisions 2 and 3; 353.01, Subdivision 19, and by adding a subdivision; 353.33, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6a, 6b, 7, 8, 9 and 11, and by adding subdivisions; 353.656, Subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6, and by adding subdivisions; 354.05,

4, 5 and 6, and by adding subdivisions; 354.05, Subdivision 14, and by adding a subdivision; 354.48; 422A.01, by adding subdivisions; 422A.14; 422A.18, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7, and by adding subdivisions; 422A.34; 423.382; 423.388; 423.52; 423.53; 423.59; 423.801, Subdivision 4, and by adding subdivisions; 423.809, Subdivisions 1, 4, and by adding subdivisions; 424.19; 424.20; 424.25; 490.121, Subdivisions 13, 14 and 15; 490.124, Subdivision 4; and Chapters 69, by adding sections; 352B, by adding sections; 356, by adding sections; 423, by adding sections; and 424, by adding sections; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 353.656, Subdivision 2; and 423.54.

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

Subdivision 14, and by adding a subdivision; 354.48; 422A.01, by adding subdivisions; 422A.14; 422A.18, Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7, and by adding subdivisions; 422A.34; 423.382; 423.388; 423.52; 423.53; 423.59; 423.801, Subdivision 4, and by adding subdivisions; 423.809, Subdivisions 1, 4, and by adding subdivisions; 424.19; 424.20; 424.25; 490.121, Subdivisions 13, 14 and 15; 490.124, Subdivision 4; and Chapters 69, by adding sections; 352B, by adding sections; 356, by adding sections; 423, by adding sections; and 424, by adding sections; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 353.656, Subdivision 2; and 423.54.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.