

Work Group on Duty Disability and the Public Safety Officer's Benefit Account

Thursday, October 8, 2026, 1:00 p.m. (14th Meeting)

Columbine Conference Room, Ground Floor
Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul

Members are requested to participate in-person if possible.
Members may participate via Zoom through the link on the meeting invitation.

AGENDA

Co-Chaired by Representative Terry Stier and Shane Myre

1. Presentation from the Minnesota Fire Initiative (MnFIRE)

- George Esbensen, CEO, MnFIRE
- DeeDee Jankovich, Executive Director, MnFIRE
- Margaret Gavian, PhD. Founder and Director, Blue Peak Consulting

2. Follow-up on October 1st Meeting

- Any questions the Work Group has based on what was presented at the last meeting.
- Discussion and tentative conclusions based on the “[Analysis of Retiree Healthcare Costs](#)” by the Commission’s actuaries, VIA Actuarial Solutions, at the last meeting.
 - Reminder: this analysis is costing the Commission approximately \$21,000.
 - Can the Work Group incorporate the following chart from slide 9 of the VIA presentation into its recommendations (keep in mind that the contribute rates are intended to provide the funds needed by a P&F Plan retiree to pay premiums for single coverage in a high-deductible medical plan beginning at age 55)?

	New hire	Early career	Mid career	Late career
Age/service in 2026	25/1	32/8	42/18	52/28
Contribution rate	6.0%	6.6%	10.7%	38.4%
Estimated value of future premium costs at retirement age 55	\$677,000 in year 2056	\$499,000 in year 2049	\$320,000 in year 2039	\$196,000 in year 2029

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AND TESTIMONY: Members of the public may stream the meeting through the following YouTube link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3eDLDM0KYuE>. If you are not a member of the work group, and wish to attend the meeting in person, please contact Aleena Wilson (aleena.wilson@lcpr.mn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. The work group will not take testimony and time for public comment will be limited and only if time permits.

COPIES OF DOCUMENTS: Printed copies of documents listed in the agenda will not be provided. Members of the work group may specifically request a printed copy by contacting Mollie Pierson (mollie.pierson@lcpr.mn.gov) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

3. Discussion of [H.R.6157 – FORCE Act of 2025](#), proposed legislation in the US House of Representatives

- Brian Rice, Attorney, Rice, Walther & Mosley LLP

4. Breakout Into Subcommittees (as time permits)

- [Subcommittee Member Lists](#)
- [Subcommittee Grid](#)
- **Subcommittee 1** (health insurance): Columbine Conference Room
 - Co-chair Representative Terry Stier will lead subcommittee 1.
- **Subcommittee 2** (duty disability): COB Conference Room 101
 - Co-chair Shane Myre will lead subcommittee 2.

5. Next Meeting: Thursday, October 22, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. **Please note that there will not be a meeting on October 15th.**

6. Adjourn