

Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

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March 3, 2020, Meeting Minutes Room 10, State Office Building

Call to order

Chair Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Commission Members Present:

Representatives Freiberg, Her, Murphy, Nelson, O'Driscoll, Richardson, and Vogel
Senators Dahms, Frentz, Jasinski, Limmer, Pappas, Rosen, and Senjem

Agenda Items

HF 3272 (Albright): State Board of Investment; Authorizing certain investments; exempting liquid alternatives from restriction.

Rep. Albright presented and testified in support of his bill.

Mansco Perry, Executive Director, State Board of Investment, testified in support of the bill

Rep. Vogel moved HF3272 be recommended to pass and be incorporated into the 2020 omnibus pension bill. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Approval of December 18, 2019, meeting minutes

Sen. Rosen moved adoption of the December 18, 2019, meeting minutes. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Introduction of new LCPR actuary and 2020 actuarial work plan

Jim van Iwaarden, Mark Schulte, and Emily Knutson, Van Iwaarden Associates, introduced themselves and reviewed the actuarial work plan.

Approval of motions related to actuarial assumptions and reporting requirements

Susan Lenczewski, Executive Director, Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement, reviewed Motion LCPR20-M1.

Mark Schulte, Consulting Actuary, Van Iwaarden Associates, testified that Van Iwaarden recommends adoption of Motion LCPR20-M1.

Rep. Nelson moved adoption of Motion LCPR20-M1. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Ms. Lenczewski reviewed Motion LCPR20-M2.

Jim van Iwaarden, Consulting Actuary, Van Iwaarden Associates, testified that Van Iwaarden recommends adoption of Motion LCPR20-M2.

Sen. Rosen moved adoption of Motion LCPR20-M2. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Presentation by State Board of Investment

Mansco Perry, Executive Director, State Board of Investment, updated members on the recent investment returns and reviewed the "*Climate Risk Investment Discussion*" report prepared by Makeeta Investment Group.

HF 3903 (Murphy); SF 3808 (Rosen): MSRS 2020 administrative bill

Erin Leonard, Executive Director, MSRS, presented and testified in support of the bill.

Chad Burkitt, Analyst, Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement, reviewed the staff summary.

Rep. Murphy moved HF3903/SF3808 be recommended to pass and be incorporated into the 2020 omnibus pension bill. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3752 (Her); SF 3805 (Jasinski): TRA 2020 administrative bill

Rep. Her presented and testified in support of her bill.

Jay Stoffel, Executive Director, TRA, testified in support of the bill.

Rachel Barth, Legal and Legislative Director, TRA, testified in support of the bill.

Rep. Her moved HF3752/SF3805 be recommended to pass and be incorporated into the 2020 omnibus pension bill. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3777 (Her); SF 3672 (Rosen): State Auditor's investment disclosure and reporting bill

Rep. Her presented and testified in support of her bill.

Rose Hennessy-Allen, Pension Director, Office of the State Auditor, testified in support of the bill.

Rep. Her moved HF3777/SF3672 be recommended to pass and be incorporated into the 2020 omnibus pension bill. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF3788 (Nelson, M.); SF 3658 (Senjem): Authorizing contributions by St. Paul

Rep. Nelson presented and testified in support of his bill.

Colin Beere, Political Director, Sheet Metal Workers Local 10, reviewed the work done during the interim and testified in support of the bill.

Jim Vollmer, Assistant Director Employee/Labor Relations, St. Paul Public Schools, testified in support of the bill.

Jason Schmidt, Labor Relations Manager, City of St. Paul, testified in support of the bill.

Brendan Cummins, representing various trades organizations, testified in support of the bill.

Ms. Lenczewski reviewed the bill and staff summary.

Rep. Nelson moved HF3788/SF3658 be recommended to pass and be incorporated into the 2020 omnibus pension bill. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF3789 (Nelson, M.); SF 3659 (Senjem): Revising PERA exclusions

Rep. Nelson presented and testified in support of his bill.

Ms. Lenczewski reviewed the bill and staff summary.

Rep. Nelson moved HF3789/SF3659 be recommended to pass and be incorporated into the 2020 omnibus pension bill. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Non-Agenda Items

Rick Heller, an unofficial representative of the twice exceptional and people with print disabilities, testified regarding document accessibility and provided a handout.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.