



Public Employees Retirement Association Funding Deficiency

AMC supports a comprehensive solution to the billion-dollar deficiency

- Contribution increases alone would have significant property tax impact
- Contribution increases alone would adversely affect active employees

AMC supports fund administrative changes included in PERA Proposal

- Good public policy should be adopted to address the short-term funding needs, as well as the long-term stability of the Fund.
- Extending the amortization date, changing the vesting period, enhancing employee refunds, and prorating service credit for part-time employees.

The Legislature already has a significant role in the Plan

- The Legislature sets the benefit levels
- The Legislature sets the membership eligibility
- The Legislature sets the contribution rates

A State role in the solution is Appropriate

- PERA helped TRA in 1984 when that fund was facing difficulties
- If a straight general fund appropriation is not approved, a funding mechanism similar to that used in 1984 should be utilized and TRA should be involved in the solution
- To continue benefit uniformity, benefit increases should not be granted until all three major plans have solid funding
- If no state assistance is approved, other options should be explored

Counties are willing to do our share

- Counties are willing to support contribution increases if the solution is a balanced package and also policy changes to make the fund stronger for the future.