

House Pensions and Retirement Subcommittee  
May 4, 1973  
Room 125 - State Capitol

MINUTES

The chairman, Rep. Don Moe, opened the meeting.

PRESENT: Don Moe, R. Parish, Al Patton.

The following bills were considered:

H.F. 2381 (Moe) St. Paul Bureau of Health

After discussion, it was concluded that the bill be laid over until figures are received from Dr. Smith as to how much St. Paul will have to levy to amortize the deficit--how much St. Paul will have to pay PERA for 10 years.

H.F. 2226 (Connors) Police State Aid Bill

Bill relates to distribution of state aid to policemen's relief associations; amends M.S. 1971, Sections 69.011, subdivisions 1, 2 and 4; subdivisions 5, 6 and 7, repeals Laws 1971, Chapter 695, Section 6.

Bill was laid over--language to be written stating that the money to be used specifically for pensions.

H.F. 1131 (Schulz) Red Wing Police

Bill relates to the policemen's relief association in the city of Red Wing; membership in PERA Police & Fire Fund. All newly hired policemen will be put in the PERA Police & Fire Fund.

Rep. Patton moved that H.F. 1131 be recommended to pass. Motion Carried.

Mayor Gelatus and Ed Kraus from the police force appeared before the subcommittee relative to H. . 1131.

H.F. 519 (Fugina) Gilbert Police

The intent of this bill is to limit the supplemental pension to those hired prior to 1/1/73.

The following amendment was added to the bill: Rep. Moe moved that on

Page 1, line 9, delete "the effective date of this act," and insert

"December 31, 1972" Motion carried.

Rep. Patton moved that H.F. 519 as amended be recommended to pass.

H.F. 1986 (Fugina) Virginia Firemen's Relief Association

This bill places newly hired firemen into PERA Police and Fire and increases the benefits for those remaining in the local fund.

The following amendments were placed on H.F. 1986:

"Sec. 5. Commencing in the year 1980, in addition to the minimum obligation required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.77, the city of Virginia shall provide additional financing to the firemen's relief association, sufficient to amortize by the year 2010 the fund deficits as determined in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.73. Payments for the firemen's relief association shall be exempt from levy limitations."

Renumber sections accordingly.

Add a new Section 7 to read:

"Sec. 7. This act is effective upon its approval by the governing body of the city of Virginia and compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 645.021."

Rep. Patton moved that H.F. 1986 as amended to recommended to pass. Carried.

H.F. 2447 (Berg) Minneapolis Municipal Fund

Mr. Johansen, Mpls. Fund, discussed the changes in the bill.

The following amendment was added:

Page 5, line 23, after "annum," reinstate the stricken "an"

Page 5, lines 24 through 28, reinstate the stricken words and delete the underscored language

Page 6, lines 1 through 13, delete the underscored language

Rep. Moe moved that H.F. 2447, as amended, be recommended to pass. Carried.

H.F. 1788 (Spanish) Chisholm Public Safety Department

This bill places newly hired personnel of the public safety department in the PERA Police & Fire Fund and places the existing relief associations on a "phase-out" basis.

Mr. Bolstad and Mr. Feider spoke against the bill.

Rep. Patton moved that H.F. 1788 be recommended to pass. Motion carried.

H.F. 1409 (Eckstein) New Ulm Police

Provides that future new policemen would be under the PERA Police & Fire Fund.

The following appeared in opposition to this bill:

Allen Dosland, representing the association; Dick Feider, Bob Wetherille, Ed. Bolstad, Richard Selvati, Dick Nelson.

Bill was laid over to give time for the groups to get together with a solution.

H.F. 2381 (Moe) St. Paul Bureau of Health

Mr. Connolly stated the the majority of the Bureau employees are in favor of transferring into the PERA fund.

The bill was laid over for more specifics on how much the city must levy to pay the obligation over a period of 10 years.

H.F. 1674 (Moe) Merger Bill

This bill provides for a board which would oversee the operations of existing statewide boards.

Mr. Moe asked for comments from the statewide funds' managers re this bill.

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Don Moe, Chairman

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