

House Pensions and Retirement Subcommittee
May 8, 1973
Room 4, State Capitol

MINUTES

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

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

The following bills were considered:

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

Bill relates to distribution of state aid to policemen's relief associations.

The bill was amended as per attached amendments (see attachment)

Rep. Moe moved that H.F. 2226 be amended as per attached amendments. Carried.
Rep. Patton moved that H.F. 2226 as amended be recommended to pass. Carried.

H.F. 2473 (Moe) Interest Assumption

H.F. 2473 relates to interest assumptions for firemen's and police and relief purposes--changes interest assumption to 5%.

The following amendments were approved:

"Amend the title in line 2, after "for" insert "police and"

Rep. Moe moved that H.F. 2473 as amended be recommended to pass. Carried

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

An amendment to strike everything after the enacting clause was drawn up and discussed.

The following additional amendment was added:

"Add a new section as follows:

This act shall be effective the day following its final enactment

Further amend the title

Page 1, strike line 4
strike line 5

Line 6, strike "adding a section;" (amendment accepted)

Rep. Moe moved that H.F. 2381 as amended be recommended to pass. Carried

H.F. 1674 (Moe) Merger Bill

This bill relates to the establishing of a department of public pensions and retirement headed by a commissioner to consolidate administration of various retirement plans and programs for public employees.

Rep. Patton moved that H.F. 1674 as amended be recommended to pass. Carried.

H.F. 2157 (Weaver) Anoka Police Relief Assn.

Relative to three policemen --putting them into PERA.

The following amendment was approved:

Page 2, line 10, strike "1973" and insert "1971"

Rep. Cal Larson moved that H.F. 2157, as amended, be recommended to pass. Carried.

H.F. 2257 (McCarron) Fridley Firemen's Relief

This bill relates to putting newly hired firemen into the PERA Fund.
The city council approves of this and has passed a resolution saying so.

Rep. Parish moved to amend as follows:

Page 4, line 1, after "363.68." strike "The"

Page 4, strike all of lines 2, 3, 4 and all of the language on line 5

before the word "For"

Page 4, line 28, strike "the sum of \$88,113"

Page 5, line 1, after "fund" strike "as a credit against" and insert
in lieu thereof "a sum equal to"

Page 6, line 13, strike "50"

Page 6, strike all of line 14

Page 6, line 15, strike all of the language before "Provided further"
and insert "a lump sum in the amount of 50 percent of the basic service
pension times 12, times the number of years of service" Carried

Rep. Parish moved that H.F. 2257 as amended be recommended to pass. Carried

H.F. 1409 (Eckstein) New Ulm Police

This bill relating to putting newly hired policemen into the PERA Fund.

Mr. Dosland, Mr. Bolstad, Mr. Wetherille, Mr. Salvati commented against the bill.

Rep. Cal Larson Moved that H.F. 1409 be recommended to pass. Motion Carried

H.F. 1836 (Ojala) Eveleth Police and Fire Relief Associations

This bill relates to putting police and firemen into the PERA Fund.

Rep. Parish moved that H.F. 1836 be recommended to pass. Motion Carried

Don Moe, Chairman

Eleanor Diebel
Steno

Mr. _____ moves to amend H.F. 2226, the typewritten bill, as follows:

Page 3, line 15, after "department" insert "or having a contract with the sheriff of the county for municipal police service and the sheriff of each county in the state".

Page 3, line 16, after "clause 2" strike the balance of the sentence on lines 16 through 22 and insert in lieu thereof "shall certify to the commissioner on a form prescribed by him the number of full time police officers or sheriff and deputy sheriffs as the case may be actively serving his municipality or county sheriff's department. The certification form must also require certification as to the police relief association or other pension fund to which the employer of each person certified is required to contribute, except that whenever municipal police service is being received under contract with the sheriff, the municipality shall include in its certification the full time man years of policing provided by the deputy sheriff. Each sheriff must certify the total number of full time deputy sheriffs, listing separately by municipality the number, if any, that are attributable to the municipal police service by contract, which number, if any, shall be deducted from the number of deputy sheriffs on which state aid direct to the sheriff's department will be based. Where there is a police service contract and the number of full time man years certified by the municipality and the number certified by the sheriff do not agree, state aid will be based on the lowest number. A full time police officer, sheriff or deputy sheriff must be an officer who has power of arrest with or without a warrant and who is employed in such positions on a salaried basis for a minimum of one hundred sixty hours each month."

Page 3, line 25, restore the stricken (1)

Page 5, lines 7 through 10, in lieu of the stricken language, insert the following:

"(2) Any municipality in this state having for more than one year an organized police department established by the governing body, which includes having a contract with the sheriff of the county for municipal police service and the department of the sheriff of each county in the state, may qualify to receive state police aid.

Page 5, line 25, restore the stricken language.

Page 6, line 1, after "aid", strike the balance of the subdivision on lines 1 through 16 and insert in lieu thereof "shall be distributed on the basis of full time active police officers, including deputy sheriffs. The commissioner, on the basis of the certifications required in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1971, section 69.011, subdivision 2, clause (b) as amended in section 2 of this act, shall determine the amount of state police aid available per full time police officer and deputy sheriff.

State police aid shall in all instances be paid to the employing authority, but it shall be unlawful for any such municipality or sheriff to expend any such funds for any purpose other than to apply on the cost of the pensions for the persons on whom the qualification for state police aid was based. Each municipality under contract with the sheiff shall in its compensation to the sheriff specify the amount derived from state police aid and the sheriff must apply the said amount only for pension purposes in the same manner as he applies state aid paid directly to his office.

Page 10, line 28, strike all of line 28

Page 11, strike lines 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Don Moe, Chairman

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