

April 5, 1977 Meeting  
Room 123 - Capitol  
6:30 P.M.

The chairman, Rep. Al Patton, called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Representatives	Senators
Al Patton	Harmon Ogdahl
Leo Redding	Roger Strand
David Beauchamp	Eugene Stokowski
John Biersdorf	Earl Renneke
Donald Moe	Collin Peterson

Also present: Dr. Franklin Smith

HF 457 (Voss); SF 311 (Tennessen) - Court Reorganization

Three sections of the Court Reorganization bill relate to judicial retirement, Sections 2, 14 and 15.

L. Martin went over the staff memo and the proposed amendments.

HF 457; SF 311 was recommended to pass as amended.

HF 161 (Neisen); SF 111 (Milton) Centerville Volunteer Firemen's Relief:  
Incorporation Date

The bill, with the technical staff amendments, provides that for members who became members of the relief association upon its formation and who continue until retirement, the relief association can treat years of service with the fire department as years of membership with the relief association.

HF 161; SF 111 was recommended to pass as amended.

HF 163 (McEachern); SF 117 (Dunn) Albertville Volunteer Firemen's Relief Assn:  
Incorporation Date

The bill provides that for members who became members of the relief association upon its formation and who continue until retirement, the relief association can treat years of service with the fire department as years of membership with the relief association.

HF 163; SF 117 was recommended to pass.

HF 264 (Kvam) Litchfield Firemen's Relief Assn: Retirement Age (SF 1331 Bernhagen)

The bill provides that the Litchfield Vol. Firemen's Relief Assn. can provide through bylaw amendment that a member of the association with 20 years of service can receive a lump sum benefit irrespective of age.

Rep. Moe moved that the amendment be substituted for the bill (including the new language). Carried.

HF 264 (SF 1331) as amended recommended to pass. Carried

HF 908 (McCollar); SF 782 (Milton) White Bear Lake Volunteer Firemen's Relief Assn; monthly benefit increase

The bill provides that the White Bear Lake Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association has the authority to pay a monthly service pension up to \$300 per month (increased from \$150 per month) as the bylaws so provide when the retiring member attains age 50 and has 20 years of service.

Rep. Reding moved that HF 908; SF 782 be recommended to pass. Carried.

HF 1099 (Searle); SF 888 (Pillsbury) Excelsior Volunteer Firemen's Relief Assn.

Proportionate Annuity

The bill authorizes the Excelsior Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association to pay a lump sum service pension to retiring members who have less than 20 years of service at age 50. A retiring member would be eligible to receive a proportionate service pension with 15 years of service and 75% of a proportionate service annuity with 10 years of service.

Gud Welter commented that the 69 and 71 Guidelines Act which governs the relief associations states - 1971 Guidelines Act states lump sum benefits must be amortized in a 10 year period; monthly payments to be amortized in a 20 year period.

Rep. Biersdorf moved that HF 1099; SF 888 be recommended to pass. Carried

HF 1259 (Suss) Savage Vol. Firemen's Benefit Increase

The bill would allow an increase in future pension benefit payments for both retired and active members of the Savage Vol. Fire Department. The bill would allow a tripling of the benefits to a maximum of \$180 per month.

Rep. Suss will confer with the city council and the bill was laid over.

HF 491 (W. Kelly); SF 379 (Moe) - Crookston Police Relief Assn:  
Benefit Accrual, Vesting

To be hard<sup>e</sup> next week.

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