

April 12, 1977 Meeting
Room 112 - 6:00 P.M.
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MINUTES

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

PRESENT:	Representatives	Senators
	Al Patton	Harmon Ogdahl
	Leo Reding	Earl Renneke
	David Beauchamp	Eugene Stokowski
	John Biersdorf	
	Donald Moe	

HF 1105 (Begich); SF 1039 (Johnson) Eveleth Fire

Bill authorized the Eveleth Firemen's Relief to pay the post retirement increase of \$25 per month (\$300 per year) enacted in the 1975 Session (Laws 1975, Chapter 280) and the 1976 Session (Laws 1976, Chapter 78) to one retired fireman and one surviving spouse who began receiving benefits after the April 1, 1976 cut off date.

A staff amendment clarifies that the increase under this act shall not be paid to recipients who received the 1975 and 1976 increases.

Sen. Stokowski moved that HF 1105; SF 1039 be recommended to pass as amended. Carried

HF 492 (Stoa); SF 41 (Laufenburger) Winona Police

Bill provides that the present chief of police of Winona shall be a member of PERA P&F. The employee and employer contributions which would have been made had the police chief been a member of PERA P&F shall be transferred to PERA P&F, and the chief of police shall receive service credit for the period.

The bill was laid over - need for clarification amendments

HF 106 (Patton); SF 67 (Kleinbaum) - St. Cloud Fire

The bill, as amended, modifies the survivor benefits paid by the St. Cloud Firemen's Relief Association. The bill changes the proposed increase for surviving spouses from 25 to 24 units and sets the surviving child's benefit amount at 4 units.

The bill was recommended to pass as amended.

HF 414 (Peterson); SF 337 (Olson) Fairmont Police

The bill provides that all new police officers hired by the city of Fairmont after the effective date of the act shall have pension coverage by the PERA-P&F and not by the local association.

Two amendments were adopted; one provides that the total police state aid shall be transmitted to the local relief association--the excess to be applied to the municipal contribution to PERA-P&F; the second provides a benefit increase for police officers with 20 and 25 years of service, allowing an additional 2.0% per year of service; does not include service past age 55.

Rep. Moe moved that the contribution rate be increased from 6% to 8%. Carried
Sen. Stokowski moved that HF 414; SF 337 as amended be recommended to pass. Carried

HF 491 (W. Kelly); SF 379 (Moe) Crookston Police

Laid over

HF 685 (Spanish); SF 500 (Perpich) - Hibbing Fire

Bill provides that the Hibbing Firemen's relief shall pay to any retired fireman retiring prior to May 28, 1971, \$100 per month increase.

The amendment would prevent the relief association from qualifying for future fire state aid unless Hibbing complies with the special law financing requirements.

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HF 1105 (Begich); SF 1039 (Johnson) Eveleth Firemen's Relief Assn - Post Retirement Adjustment

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The staff amendment clarifies that the increase under this act shall not be paid to recipients who received the 1975 and 1976 increases.

The bill was recommended to pass as amended.

HF 1184 (White) Lakeville Volunteer Fire

The bill authorizes the Lakeville Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association to exceed the \$600 per year of service lump sum benefit maximum contained in Minnesota Statutes, Section 69.06, and pay a maximum lump sum benefit of \$1000 per year of service.

Sen. Stokowski moved that HF 1184 be recommended to pass. Motion carried.

HF 410 (Simoneau); SF 713 (Schaaf) Fridley Police Pensions

The bill would phase out the local pension fund for Fridley police officers and reduce vesting requirements and increase member contribution rates for the local fund: pro-rated retirement benefits would be available to those with 10 years of service, and the escalation factor would be limited to prevent increases of more than 3% per year.

A motion was passed to strike everything after the enacting clause and insert into the House File.

Bill as amended was recommended to pass.

The executive, judicial and legislative compensation was brought up and discussion followed.

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Eugene Stokowski
Secretary