



The Florida Public Pension Trustees Association Urges Your Opposition and “No” Vote

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It is our understanding that House Bill 1319 by Representative Grady and/or House Bill 1543 by Representative Zapata will be placed on the agenda of the House Governmental Affairs Policy Committee for consideration next week.

The members of the Florida Public Pension Trustees Association vehemently oppose these bills for some of the following reasons:

- The bill would require an additional 1% employee contribution for all public pension plans, and would establish a 1% employee contribution for FRS participants which currently pay nothing.
- Exclusion of academic incentive pay in final calculation thus reduces retirement benefits.
- Changes the average Final Compensation from 5 years to the total average of all years of service which would reduce retirement benefits by approximately 40%
- Reduces the accrual rate of all FRS classes by 10% (Special Risk from 3% to 2.7%), and excludes the Elected Officers from the reduction
- Changes the normal retirement date and age to 60 and 30 years of service rather than the current 55 and 25 for Special Risk

In terms specific only to local pension plans:

- Requires all pension plans to provide a 5 year projection for employer contributions and an experience study to be completed every 5 years that would increase costs to the local pension plans
- Directs the boards of trustees to submit an administrative expense budget which must be approved and can only be amended by the plan sponsor which could cause delays and result in a negative ability of the boards to meet their fiduciary duties as required by current statute
- Prohibits the majority of the members of a board of trustees from being a participant or a beneficiary of the plan, currently state statute provides for 5 member boards, 2 from management and 2 from labor and the 5th member chosen by agreement of the other 4 members. This would assure that management would always have the majority of votes and control

All changes to a public pension system are required by the State Constitution to be actuarially sound, such a study has not been completed on many of the provisions of this bill so impending litigation would pursue.



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Join the Florida Professional Firefighters in Tallahassee, March 24, 2010 at 8:30 am at the Double Tree Hotel on Adams & Park Avenue or at the State Capitol.

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