

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2261

*As Reported By House Committee on:
Appropriations*

Title: An act relating to membership of pension boards under chapter 41.18 RCW.

Brief Description: Revising provisions relating to membership of pension boards under chapter 41.18 RCW.

Sponsor(s): Representatives Hine, McLean, Spanel, D. Sommers, Wynne, Orr and Haugen; by request of Joint Committee on Pension Policy.

Brief History:

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Appropriations, January 30, 1992, DP.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
APPROPRIATIONS**

Majority Report: *Do pass.* Signed by 24 members: Representatives Locke, Chair; Inslee, Vice Chair; Spanel, Vice Chair; Silver, Ranking Minority Member; Morton, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Belcher; Bowman; Brekke; Carlson; Dorn; Ebersole; Ferguson; Fuhrman; Hine; May; Nealey; Peery; Pruitt; Rust; D. Sommers; Sprenkle; Valle; Wang; and Wineberry.

Staff: Barbara McLain (786-7153).

Background: The firemen's retirement system existing prior to the establishment of the statewide Law Enforcement Officers' and Fire Fighters' Retirement System in 1970, is administered in part by firemen's pension boards in each fire protection district. The current statutory membership of these boards consists of the chair of the district's fire commissioners, the county auditor and treasurer, and two regularly employed fire fighters elected by active members of the system. There are few members of these systems still active. The Joint Committee on Pension Policy recommended that retired fire fighters be allowed to serve on the firemen's pension boards.

Summary of Bill: The required membership of firemen's pension boards is revised to allow retired members of the

firemen's retirement system to be elected to and to vote on the election of the boards.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: None.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: None.