

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 2261

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS, FEBRUARY 20, 1992

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

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

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators McDonald, Chairman; Craswell, Vice Chairman; Bailey, Bauer, Bluechel, Cantu, Gaspard, M. Kreidler, Metcalf, Murray, Newhouse, Rinehart, Saling, L. Smith, Talmadge, West, Williams, and Wojahn.

Staff: Denise Graham (786-7715)

Hearing Dates: February 19, 1992; February 20, 1992

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 firefighters 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 firefighters be allowed to serve on the firemen's pension boards.

SUMMARY:

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.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: available

TESTIMONY FOR: None

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: No one