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HOUSE BILL 2738

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By Representatives Bailey and Ormsby

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1            AN ACT Relating to modifying the membership of the select committee  
2 on pension policy; and amending RCW 41.04.276.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.04.276 and 2005 c 24 s 1 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) The select committee on pension policy is created. The select  
7 committee consists of:

8            (a) Four members of the senate appointed by the president of the  
9 senate, two of whom are members of the majority party and two of whom  
10 are members of the minority party. At least three of the appointees  
11 shall be members of the senate ways and means committee;

12            (b) Four members of the house of representatives appointed by the  
13 speaker, two of whom are members of the majority party and two of whom  
14 are members of the minority party. At least three of the appointees  
15 shall be members of the house of representatives (~~appropriations~~)  
16 ways and means committee;

17            (c) Four active members or representatives from organizations of  
18 active members of the state retirement systems appointed by the

1 governor for staggered three-year terms, with no more than two  
2 appointees representing any one employee retirement system;

3 (d) Two retired members or representatives of retired members'  
4 organizations of the state retirement systems appointed by the governor  
5 for staggered three-year terms, with no two members from the same  
6 system;

7 (e) Four employer representatives of members of the state  
8 retirement systems appointed by the governor for staggered three-year  
9 terms. One member must be a plan administrator representing a higher  
10 education retirement plan sponsor; and

11 (f) The directors of the department of retirement systems and  
12 office of financial management.

13 (2)(a) The term of office of each member of the house of  
14 representatives or senate serving on the committee runs from the close  
15 of the session in which he or she is appointed until the close of the  
16 next regular session held in an odd-numbered year. If a successor is  
17 not appointed during a session, the member's term continues until the  
18 member is reappointed or a successor is appointed. The term of office  
19 for a committee member who is a member of the house of representatives  
20 or the senate who does not continue as a member of the senate or house  
21 of representatives ceases upon the convening of the next session of the  
22 legislature during the odd-numbered year following the member's  
23 appointment, or upon the member's resignation, whichever is earlier.  
24 All vacancies of positions held by members of the legislature must be  
25 filled from the same political party and from the same house as the  
26 member whose seat was vacated.

27 (b) Following the terms of members and representatives appointed  
28 under subsection (1)(d) of this section, the retiree positions shall be  
29 rotated to ensure that each system has an opportunity to have a retiree  
30 representative on the committee.

31 (3) The committee shall elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson.  
32 The chairperson shall be a member of the senate in even-numbered years  
33 and a member of the house of representatives in odd-numbered years and  
34 the vice chairperson shall be a member of the house of representatives  
35 in even-numbered years and a member of the senate in odd-numbered  
36 years.

37 (4) The committee shall establish an executive committee of six  
38 members, including the chairperson, the vice chairperson, one member

1 from subsection (1)(c) of this section, one member from subsection  
2 (1)(d) of this section, one member from subsection (1)(e) of this  
3 section, and the director of the department of retirement systems.

4 (5) Nonlegislative members of the select committee serve without  
5 compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses under RCW  
6 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

7 (6) The office of state actuary under chapter 44.44 RCW shall  
8 provide staff and technical support to the committee.

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