

Legislative Update

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Agenda

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2022 Legislative Session

- » The Second Regular Session of the Seventy-third General Assembly convened January 12, 2022 and adjourned *sine die* May 11, 2022.

Legislation Concerning PERA

» House Bill 22-1029: Compensatory Direct Distribution to PERA

- The bill requires a payment to PERA from the PERA Payment Cash Fund for \$380 million. This amount reflects the suspended direct distribution payment to PERA of \$225 million from July 1, 2020, plus \$155 million in order to reduce two future direct distributions. The future direct distribution payments will be reduced based on the interest that accrues from the initial \$380 million payment as follows:
 - for FY 2023-24 (July 1, 2023), the payment is reduced by an amount between \$155 million to \$190 million, resulting in a direct distribution payment amount between \$35 million to \$70 million; and
 - for FY 2024-25 (July 1, 2024), the payment is reduced by up to \$27.55 million, resulting in a direct distribution payment of no less than \$197.45 million, unless the actual rate of return is zero or less, in which case there may be no reduction.

Status: Governor Signed (6/7/22)

Legislation Concerning PERA

» **House Bill 22-1087: Special District Director Retirement Benefits**

- This bill excludes special district board members who begin their service on or after July 1, 2022, from being eligible for membership in PERA.

Status: Governor Signed (3/24/22)

» **House Bill 22-1057: PERA Employment After Teacher Retirement**

- This bill temporarily expands working after retirement provisions by removing the limitation on the number of days that qualified service retirees can work as substitute teachers without reduction in their retirement benefits.

Status: Governor Signed (3/17/22)

» **House Bill 22-1101: PERA Service Retiree Employment In Rural Schools**

- This bill expanded and made permanent existing working after retirement provisions that allow qualified service retirees working in certain positions in rural school districts to be rehired and receive a salary without reduction in their retirement benefits.

Status: Governor Signed (3/17/22)

Legislation Concerning PERA

» **Senate Bill 22-138: Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Colorado**

- This bill included a number of provisions meant to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the state. One of these required PERA to include various climate risk assessments in its annual investment stewardship report.

Status: Died on Calendar (5/9/22)

Other Updates

» Interim Committee Meetings

- Legislative Audit Committee (8/9/22)
- Pension Review Subcommittee (TBD)

Questions?