ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB382

Hearing Date:	Tuesday February 01, 2011	
Committee On:	Nebraska Retirement Systems	
Introducer:	Nordquist	
One Liner:	Change deposit and contribution rates for certain retirement systems	

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Heidemann, Karpisek, Louden, Mello, Nordquist, Pankonin
Nay:		
Absent:		
Present Not Voting	g:	

Proponents:	Representing:
Senator Jeremy Nordquist	Introducer
Gerry Oligmueller	Nebraska State Budget Administrator
Karen Kilgarin	Nebraska State Education Association
Opponents:	Representing:
Neutral:	Representing:
Korby Gilbertson	State Troopers Association
John Bonaiuto	Nebraska Association of School Boards
Jason Hayes	Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 382 increases the contribution rate 1%, from 8.28% to 9.28% in FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13 for members of the School Employees Retirement System. In FY 2013-14 the member contribution rate returns to 8.28%.

The contribution rates for members of the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System and the state/employer increase 3%, from 16% to 19% in FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13. In FY 2013-14 the rates for both the patrol members and the state/employer return to 16%.

Explanation of amendments:

Committee AM 1101 strikes the original sections and becomes the bill.

Beginning September 1, 2011, the member contribution rate in the School Employees Retirement Act increases .6% to 8.88%. Beginning September 1, 2012 the rate increases.9% to 9.78% and remains in effect through August 31, 2017 when the contribution rate sunsets to 7.28%.

In the School Employees Retirement Act and the Class V (Omaha) School Employees Retirement Act the 1% state contribution rate, which is currently scheduled to sunset in FY 2013-14, is extended to FY 2016-17. Beginning July 1, 2017 the state contribution rate returns to .7%.

State funding for the purchasing power cost-of-living allowance for the Class V (Omaha) School Employees Retirement Act sunsets in FY 2013-14.

The contribution rates for members of the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System and the state/employer increase 3%, from 16% to 19% in FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13. In FY 2013-14 the rate for both the patrol members and the state/employer returns to 16%.

LB 510 is also incorporated into the amendment. The contribution rate for members of the Class V (Omaha) School Employees Retirement Act increases 1% to 9.3% beginning September 1, 2011.

Section-by-Section Summary of Committee AM 1101

Section 1: Beginning September 1, 2011, the member contribution rate in the School Employees Retirement Act increases .6% to 8.88%. Beginning September 1, 2012 the member contribution rate increases .9% to 9.78%. September 1, 2017 the member contribution rate returns to 7.28%. [amends 79-958]

Section 2: The state contribution of 1% of total salary compensation for the Schools Employees Retirement System and Class V (Omaha) School Employees Retirement System is extended from July 1, 2014 to July 1, 2017 when it returns to .7%. [amends 79-966]

Section 3: The state-funding for the Class V (Omaha) School Employees Retirement System purchasing power cost-of-living allowance sunsets in FY 2013-14. Currently there is no sunset. [amends 79-988.01]

Section 4: Beginning September 1, 2011, the contribution rate for Class V (Omaha) School Employees Retirement System members increases 1% to 9.3%. [amends 79-9,113]

Section 5: In the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act, beginning July 1, 2011, the patrol and state/employer contribution rates increase from 16% to 19%. The member and state/employer contribution rate increases sunset to 16% on July 1, 2013. [amends 81-2017]

Section 6: Repealer.

Section 7: Emergency clause.

Jeremy Nordquist, Chairperson