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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB31

Chairperson: Senator Mark Kolterman

Committee: Nebraska Retirement Systems

Date of Hearing: March 19, 2019

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 31 requires the Public Employees Retirement Board in consultation with Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee, the Class V School Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees and Board of Education, and other stakeholders to prepare a Work Plan that examines what must occur in order to carry out a transfer of management responsibilities for the Class V School Employees Retirement Plan to the Public Employees Retirement Board. The Work Plan requires at a minimum:

A comparison of the annual Class V School Employees Retirement Plan administration costs to the estimated cost for the Public Employees Retirement Board to manage the Class V School Employees Retirement Plan;

Identification of the tasks, issues and costs to transfer management from the Class V School Employees Retirement Plan to the Public Employees Retirement Board;

Establishment of timelines for completion of identified tasks

The bill specifies that the examination of management transfer does not include a merger or consolidation of the Class V School Employees Retirement Plan with the School Employees Retirement Plan nor does it include assumption of liability for the unfunded liability for the Class V School Employees Retirement Plan by the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement System or the Public Employees Retirement Board.

The Public Employees Retirement Board is authorized to quarterly assess costs for work completed on the Work Plan to the Class V School Employees Retirement System school district for staff time and any other related costs and requires the Class V School Employees Retirement System school district to remit payment within 45 days of receipt of billings.

The Work Plan must be completed and submitted to the Legislature by June 30, 2020.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mark Kolterman