

SELECT COMMITTEE ON PENSION POLICY

Constituent Correspondence as of December 10, 2012

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OSA	From	To	Subject
3/29/12	Governor Gregoire	Representative Bailey, Chair	Pension Garnishment
5/10/12	Bonnie Anthis	Representative Bailey, Chair	Pension Garnishment
5/14/12	Chris Vance - King County Adult Corrections Guild	Executive Committee, SCPP	2012 Study of Risk Classification of High Risk Employees
5/14/12	Kelly Fox - LEOFF 2 Board	SCPP	2012 Interim Issues
5/18/12	David Westberg	SCPP	Defined Contribution Pension Plans
5/12/12	Richard Warbrouck - Retired Firefighters of Washington	Senator Conway, Chair Representative Bailey, Vice Chair	LEOFF Merger
6/15/12	Keith Flewelling - Washington State APCO - NENA Chapter	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (E9-1-1 Telecommunicators)
6/18/12	Gabe Hall - Local 862 Washington Federation of State Employees	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (JRA Staff)
6/21/12	Matthew Zuvich - Washington Federation of State Employees	Senator Conway, Chair SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (DSHS Institutional Workers and DOT Workers)
6/25/12	Matthew Zuvich - Washington Federation of State Employees	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (DOT Highway Maintenance Workers)
7/17/12	William Kantor	SCPP	LEOFF Merger
8/2/12	Conrad Wold	SCPP	Rule of 90
8/2/12	Jordan Sneva	SCPP	Rule of 90
8/2/12	Bob Simoni	SCPP	Rule of 90
8/2/12	Dick Abrams, Ph.D.	Senator Conway, Chair SCPP	Rule of 90
8/16/12	Tuck Gionet	Senator Conway	Rule of 90
8/20/12	Wayne Johnson, Teamsters Local 760	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various state and local corrections and law enforcement positions)
8/20/12	Michelle Woodrow, Teamsters Local 117	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various local government and K-12 classified positions)
8/21/12	Robert Hawks, Teamsters, Local 839	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various local government positions)
8/21/12	John Witte, Teamsters Local 589	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various local government and K-12 classified positions)
8/21/12	Heather Weiner, Teamsters Local 28	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study & School Employee ERF Study (Various local government and K-12 classified positions)

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8/21/12	Jason Powell, Teamsters Local 763	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various K-12 classified employees)	
8/21/12	Darren O'Neil, Teamsters Local 252	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various local government and K-12 classified positions)	
8/21/12	Leonard Kelley, Teamsters Local 231	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various local government and K-12 classified positions)	
8/23/12	John Griffith	OSA	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Nuclear Security Guard Force)	
8/29/12	Val Holstrom, Teamsters Local 690	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Various local government)	
9/11/12	Dave Griffith and Energy Northwest Nuclear Security Officers	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Nuclear Security Officers)	
9/26/12	Isaac Bouse, Energy Northwest Nuclear Security Officer	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classification Study (Nuclear Security Officers)	
10/4/12	Nancy Field	Senator Conway, Chair Representative Bailey, Vice Chair SCPP	PERS 1 Optional COLA	
10/30/12	Bob Simoni	SCPP	Rule of 90	
10/30/12	J. Pat Thompson	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (E9-1-1 Telecommunicators)	
11/13/12	Lorraine James	SCPP	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (JRA Staff)	
11/16/12	Richard Warbrouck - Retired Firefighters of Washington	Senator Conway, Chair Representative Bailey, Vice Chair	Retiree Investment Accounts	
11/30/12	Kelly Fox - LEOFF 2 Board	SCPP	Excess Compensation Coordination	
12/3/12	J. Pat Thompson	Senator Conway, Chair Representative Bailey, Vice Chair	2012 High-Risk Job Classifications Study (E9-1-1 Telecommunicators)	



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November 14, 2012

The Honorable Senator Steve Conway
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The Honorable Representative Barbara Bailey
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Dear Senator Conway, Representative Bailey and Mr. Smith,

I want to apologize for this late request. I would like the opportunity to make a brief introduction of an idea to the SCPP Committee during the Committee's November meeting. If time permits I could answer questions and maybe partake in a brief discussion.

The Department of Retirement Systems, the Select Committee on Pension Policy and the member representatives are all interested in the quality of life after retirement. We all want to provide a comfortable standard of living for our retirees and reduce the dependence on the pension system. Currently the state

employees who participate in the deferred comp program invested by the State Investment Board can no longer participate after retirement. They can maintain their account but they can no longer make any deposits into the account. Other employees who qualify for a state pension and who are employed by local governments are not eligible to participate in the deferred comp program.

I would like to briefly discuss the possibility of developing a program to allow all retired members of the state retirement systems to open or rollover an existing IRA, Roth IRA or similar account to be managed by the Department of Retirement Systems and invested by the State investment Board. There would be an additional advantage if the retirees could have an option to deduct a portion of their retirement check to be deposited into their IRA, Roth IRA, 401K or 501 accounts. The account would have to comply with the current taxing requirements for, Ira, Roth IRA and similar accounts managed by other financial institutions. It would certainly be to our advantage if we could capitalize on the professional management of the State Investment Board and gain access to investments that are not now available to private individuals and many financial institutions.

I only want to discuss this subject in general and do not expect any answers at this time. If there is enough interest, this issue could be studied during the interim. There may be issues that will have to be addressed by the IRS and we may have to contact our Representatives in Washington D.C. for assistance. I discussed this proposal very briefly at the November meeting of the Pension Advisory Committee. It has been placed on their April 2013 meeting agenda. The investment accounts could be self directed or invested as part of the comingled trust fund. We, as members of the State's Retirement Systems, would all benefit if such a plan can be developed.

I want to thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R.C. Warbrouck".

Richard C. Warbrouck



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November 30, 2012

Select Committee on Pension Policy
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Dear Honorable Members of the Select Committee on Pension Policy:

On behalf of the Law Enforcement Officers' and Fire Fighters' Plan 2 Retirement Board (LEOFF 2 Board), I would like to request joint coordination with the Select Committee on Pension Policy (SCPP) on legislation for the issue of excess compensation during the 2013 legislative session.

Excess Compensation

LEOFF Plan 2 employers, as well as employers in other state-administered retirement plans (PERS, TRS, SERS, PSERS, and WSPRS) may be billed for certain types of payments that occur during a plan member's final average salary (FAS) period.

The Select Committee on Pension Policy had a hearing in November on an excess compensation proposal identical to HB 2441 from the 2012 session. The LEOFF 2 Board held a hearing at their November meeting on this same proposal.

It is my understanding that the Select Committee on Pension Policy decided to develop an alternate proposal for public hearing and possible executive action at the December SCPP meeting. This creates several concerns for LEOFF stakeholders and the LEOFF 2 Board regarding coordination of this issue. Since there is no bill language yet for this alternate proposal, there is not sufficient time to conduct an appropriate level of review and analysis prior to the 2013 legislative session. The LEOFF 2 Board's operating policies require a thorough written analysis, at least 2 public hearings and a fiscal note from OSA before the Board endorses proposed legislation.

Please feel free to contact me or Steve Nelsen, LEOFF Plan 2 Board Executive Director, should you have any questions or would like additional information. Steve can be reached at (360) 586-2323 or steve.nelsen@leoff.wa.gov, and I can be contacted at (360) 943-3030 or pres@wscff.org.

Thank you for your consideration of these important issues.

Sincerely

Kelly Fox, Chair

cc: Matt Smith, State Actuary

Wallis, Keri

Subject: FW: 911 Telecommunicators
Attachments: WaAPCO_ltr Select Committee on Pension Policy.pdf; JOURNAL of TRAUMATIC STRESS ARTICLE APRIL 2012.pdf; TROXELL REPORT.pdf

From: Pat Thompson [<mailto:patt@council2.com>]
Sent: Monday, December 03, 2012 2:41 PM
To: Conway, Sen. Steve; Bailey, Rep. Barbara
Cc: Smith, Matt; Nichols, Devon
Subject: 911 Telecommunicators

Senator Conway,

Per your request, this is our formal request to include 911 telecommunicators in the Public Safety Employee Retirement System. In addition to the public testimony already offered, please see the attachments for details on this job classification and the need for its inclusion in PESER's. It should also be noted that fire dispatchers are currently in the LEOFF system. Thank you for your consideration.

Pat Thompson
County and City Employees

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