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Subject: COLA for PERS Plan 1 Retirees

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Please fund a permanent cost of living adjustment for PERS Plan 1 retirees.

It is obvious that the cost of living has increased substantially. My PERS Plan 1 monthly pension has not. I am thankful for the occasional one-time increase but that is insufficient and subject to the prevailing political winds.

Our PEBB health premiums continue to increase and our health is declining. Groceries, utilities and fuel costs continue to escalate. Eventually, 100.00 is only worth \$60.00.

Please fund a PERS Plan 1 COLA.

And thank you for your service.

Cordially,

Jose Palmas

Vancouver, Washington

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need a consistent and substantial COLA to prevent further loss of purchasing power. Including a personal story about how the lack of a COLA has impacted your is also very important.

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