

# Select Committee on Pension Policy

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## REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 18, 2023

## APPROVED MINUTES

The Select Committee on Pension Policy met in House Hearing Room A, Olympia, Washington, and remotely on July 18, 2023.

### Committee Members Attending:

Chair Conway	Anthony Murrietta
Vice Chair Stokesbary	Representative Ormsby
Annette Creekpaum	Senator Robinson
Representative Fitzgibbon	Mark Soper
Tracy Guerin	J. Pat Thompson
Bev Hermanson	Representative Volz
Senator MacEwen	Wally Watson

Chair Conway called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

### (1) APPROVAL OF JUNE MINUTES

*It was moved, seconded, and carried to: Approve the Draft Minutes for the Regular Committee Meeting on June 20, 2023.*

*The Regular Committee Meeting Minutes were approved as final.*

### (2) ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

#### Nomination for Chair

*It was moved and seconded: Nominate Representative Fitzgibbon for Chair.*

*Representative Fitzgibbon was unanimously elected as Chair.*

Chair Fitzgibbon chaired the rest of the meeting.

#### Nomination for Vice Chair

*It was moved and seconded: Nominate Senator MacEwen for Vice Chair.*

*Senator MacEwen was unanimously elected as Vice Chair.*

### (3) OSA ANNUAL UPDATE

Matthew Smith, State Actuary, Office of the State Actuary presented.

*No action taken.*

Senator John Braun

\*Senator Steve Conway, Chair

Annette Creekpaum  
Employers

Representative Joe Fitzgibbon

\*Tracy Guerin, Director  
Department of Retirement Systems

\*Bev Hermanson  
Retirees

Dan Legard  
Employers

Senator Drew MacEwen

\*Anthony Murrietta  
Employers

Representative Timm Ormsby

Senator June Robinson

David Schumacher, Director  
Office of Financial Management

Mark Soper  
Retirees

\*Representative Drew  
Stokesbary, Vice Chair

\*J. Pat Thompson  
Actives

Representative Mike Volz

Wally Watson  
Actives

Michael Yestramski  
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William Zabelka  
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**(4) LEOFF 2 BOARD ANNUAL UPDATE**

Jacob White, Senior Research and Policy Manager, LEOFF 2 Board presented.

*No action taken.*

**(5) WSP RETENTION: PANEL DISCUSSION**

Aaron Gutierrez, Senior Policy Analyst, presented.

*No action taken.*

**The following non-members addressed the Committee:**

Senator Marko Liias.

Senator Curtis King.

John Batiste, Chief, Washington State Patrol.

Spike Unruh, President, Washington State Patrol Troopers' Association.

**(6) DRS PROPOSAL ON PUBLIC RECORDS EXEMPTIONS FOR RETIREES**

Shawn Merchant, Director of Legislative and Community Relations, DRS, and George Pickett, Director of Risk Management, DRS, presented.

*No action taken.*

**(7) PLANS 1 COLA STUDY: INITIAL CONTEXT**

Melinda Aslakson, Policy Analyst, presented.

*No action taken.*

**(8) PUBLIC COMMENT**

**The following non-members addressed the Committee:**

Alan Burke, Executive Director, Washington State School Retirees Association.

Gloria Smith, Washington Education Association-Retired.

Clair Olivers, President, Retired Public Employees' Council of Washington.

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

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