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The Honorable Representative Bruce Chandler Chair, Select Committee on Pension Policy PO Box 40600 Olympia, WA 98504

The Honorable Senator Steve Conway Vice Chair, Select Committee on Pension Policy PO Box 40429 Olympia, WA 98504

Mr. Matt Smith, State Actuary Office of the State Actuary PO Box 40914 Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Representative Chandler, Senator Conway, and Mr. Smith

Senate Bill 5873 sponsored by Senators Steve Conway, Mark Schoesler, Barbara Bailey and Jeanne Kohl-Welles was introduced, amended and passed by the State Senate in the 2015 Legislative Session. The bill was not scheduled for a Hearing in the House Appropriations Committee.

We respectfully request that this bill be placed on the agenda of the Select Committee on Pension Policy for consideration and inclusions in the committee's 2016 legislative package.

We would also request the committee to consider legislation to allow LEOFF I retirees the option of purchasing a retirement annuity through the Washington State Investment Board.

Respectfully, Richard C. Warbrouck President Retired Firefighters of Washington