The Legislative Committee met on Monday, February 24, 2014 via teleconference. Ms. Sharon Thompson presided as Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: Ms. Copper, Ms. Henry, Mr. Kuehne, Ms. Stanish, Mr. Stulir, Ms. Thompson
Absent: Mr. Stafford

Also in attendance was Trustee Mr. Piechocinski, as were staff members Mr. Kosiba, Ms. O’Brien, Mr. Duquette, and Ms. Shadid.

(14-02-01)
The Committee began by discussing the minutes of the February 10, 2014 meeting of the Legislative Committee. Ms. Henry moved to approve the minutes of the meeting. Ms. Copper seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYE: Copper, Henry, Kuehne, Stanish, Stulir
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None

By a vote of 5-0-0, the motion passed.

(14-02-02)
The Committee House Bill 4691, sponsored by Representative Brandon Phelps. This bill would change the amounts required to be transferred from IMRF to a newly created police pension fund. After discussion, Ms. Henry moved to recommend that the Board oppose the bill. Mr. Kuehne seconded the motion.

VOTE:

AYE: Copper, Henry, Kuehne, Stanish, Stulir
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None

By a vote of 5-0-0, the motion passed.
The Committee next discussed House Bill 5826, sponsored by Representative Norine Hammond, which would require National Guard service be included in the definition of “military service” when apply to purchase military service credit. After discussion, Mr. Kuehne moved to recommend that the Board remain neutral on the bill. Ms. Stanish seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Kuehne, Stanish, Stulir
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None

By a vote of 5-0-0, the motion passed.

The Committee then discussed Senate Bill 3232, sponsored by Senator Karen McConnaughay. This bill would prohibit new elected officials from participating in IMRF with respect to that service if it is not a full-time position. After discussion, Mr. Kuehne moved to recommend that the Board remain neutral on the bill. Ms. Stanish seconded the motion

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Kuehne, Stanish, Stulir
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None

By a vote of 5-0-0, the motion passed.

The committee also asked staff to pursue an amendment with the sponsor that would allow IMRF to set the definition of “full-time,” rather than the Department of Insurance.

Finally, the Committee discussed Senate Bill 3486, sponsored by Senator Iris Martinez. This bill would change definitions and reporting requirements for the use of MWBE managers and requires certain pension fund positions to be confirmed by the Senate. It would also set penalties for failure to meet MWBE goals. After discussion, Ms. Henry moved to recommend that the Board oppose the bill. Ms. Copper seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Kuehne, Stanish, Stulir
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None

By a vote of 5-0-0, the motion passed.
(14-02-06)
The committee adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Chair

Date

Clerk

Date