MEETING NO. 2015-04-LC
IILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

The Legislative Committee met on Monday, March 02, 2015 via teleconference. Ms. Natalie Copper presided as Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 10:31 a.m.

Roll Call
Present:     Ms. Copper, Ms. Henry, Mr. Miller
Absent:      Mr. Piechocinski, Ms. Thompson

Also in attendance was Trustee Mr. Kuehne and staff members Mr. Kosiba, Ms. O'Brien, Mr. Duquette, Mr. Nannini, Ms. Shah, and Ms. Shadid and Legislative Consultant Ms. Vazquez.

(15-04-01)
The Committee began by discussing the minutes of the February 17, 2015 meeting of the Legislative Committee. Ms. Henry moved to approve the minutes of the meeting. Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.

(15-04-02)
The Committee next discussed House Bill 2455. This bill, introduced by Representative Kay, would, in the provisions applicable to IMRF, this bill would terminate participation for employees of the Illinois Municipal League and the Will County Governmental League as of the effective date of the bill. After discussion, Mr. Miller moved to recommend that the Board oppose the bill. Ms. Henry seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.
(15-04-03)
The Committee next discussed House Bill 2716. This bill, introduced by Representative Ives, would, in the provisions applicable to IMRF, this bill would exclude elected officials participating on a part-time basis as eligible employees. Officials elected prior to the effective date would be grandfathered and would not be affected. Employers would be required to file a job description or official determination by the employer's legal representative that the office is a full-time position. After discussion, Ms. Henry moved to recommend that the Board remain neutral on the bill. Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.

(15-04-04)
The Committee next discussed House Bill 2808. This bill, introduced by Representative Christian Mitchell, would require all pension funds to identify all firearm manufacturing companies in which they have direct or indirect holdings and notify them of the funds' intent to divest from the company unless it ceases manufacturing firearms, if the company does not cease manufacture within 90 days of notification. After discussion, Ms. Henry moved to recommend that the Board oppose the bill. Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.

(15-04-05)
The Committee next discussed a proposed amendment to Senate Bill 763 House Bill from Senator Sandoval. As amended, this bill would allow municipalities without an Article 4 fund that has at least 50 full-time firefighters to allow, by resolution from the Governing Body, their full-time firefighters to participate in IMRF SLEP. The resolution would terminate if the municipality did establish an Article 4 fund. After discussion, Ms. Henry moved to recommend that the Board remain neutral on the bill as amended. Mr. Miller seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.
(15-04-06)
The Committee next discussed Senate Bill 1593. This bill, introduced by Senator Murphy, would exclude from pensionable earnings any pay for overtime worked after the effective date of the bill. It would apply to all of the pension systems. After discussion, Mr. Miller moved to recommend that the Board oppose the bill. Ms. Henry seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.

(15-04-07)
The Committee next discussed Senate Bill 1844. This bill, introduced by Senator Muñoz, would, in the provisions applicable to IMRF, it would require that employer contributions made by employers using funds collected from fines imposed under automated speed enforcement systems must be used only for public safety employees. After discussion, Mr. Miller moved to recommend that the Board remain neutral on the bill. Ms. Henry seconded the motion.

VOTE:
AYE: Copper, Henry, Miller
NAY: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Piechocinski, Thompson

By a vote of 3-0-0, the motion passed.

The committee adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:44 a.m.

Chair

Date

Clerk

Date