Bill as Introduced

HB 299-FN – AS INTRODUCED

2011 SESSION

11-0919 10/05

HOUSE BILL	299-FN
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COMMITTEE: Special Committee on Public Employee Pensions Reform

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eleven

AN ACT

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HB 299-FN - FISCAL NOTE

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Due to time constraints, the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant is unable to provide a fiscal note for this bill at this time. When completed, the fiscal note will be forwarded to the House Clerk's Office.

Amendments

Rep. G. Richardson, Merr. 4 February 1, 2011 2011-0140h 10/05

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Rep. Hawkins, Hills. 18 February 8, 2011 2011-0237h 10/04

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Committee Minutes

Pension Reform Committee

Attendance: Regan, Hawkins, Shuler, Sedensky, W. Smith, Morgan, Infantine, Kurk, Jasper, Winter, Shurtleff, Long, D. Sullivan. Absent: Patten, Blankenbeker, Baroody,

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Rep. Baroody in attendance

2/4/11

H8231 FN

Sponsor: Rep. Neil Kurk introduced the bill.

Amendment 2011-0174 H presented to the committee.

His bill offers payment for health insurance based on Salary and not pension. Employees who made under \$23,000 would get 100% of benefits paid. This goes down as the salary increases up to \$46,000 in annual salary. Over \$46,000 there would be no contribution.

Speakers

1) Diane Lacey, Belmont, NH- State Employees Association

Opposes the bill

Newly elected to her position.

Considers her fellow employees as brothers and sisters, like soldiers in a war doing battle"

"widow maker bill". "most irresponsible bill" "significantly flawed"

They do not consider this a benefit but a debt on promises made.

SEA medical trust fund put in place this summer so employees can set aside money for future medical needs. She explained that this should be an alternative.

Cost sharing does not lower the cost o healthcare. It just shifts who pays for it.

Jasper Question: The laws states there is no promise by the legislature only an appropriation when available. Asked what she had in writing showing the promise.

Response: State has never said they would not pay so the employees did not make any other arrangements.

Winter; Question: Did the SEA look into Health Savings Accounts.

Response: Gov. Benson brought this up but it was rejected.

Follow Up: rejected by whom. She thought by employees.

2) Rep. Mark Tremblay Coos Dist 4 Opposed to the bill

States that the retired employees will have to seek public assistance if they have to pay for their own health benefits.

1973 benefit created for employees and their spouses.

We should consider changes for new hires and not those who are retired.

Question: Will Smith. Can he reference the comment that the State Employees have fallen behind private sector. He stated raised were forfeited in order to keep benefits.

Question: Moran; Would he be emendable for new hires. Response yes.

Follow Up; Because current program is untenable. Answer: yes

3) Maria Ciolfi Department of Administrative Services. Opposes the Bill

\$72,000,000 in medical cost last year. The bill is to complex and they do not have the staff to manage the billing and collections that would be required. It would require employees to pay much more and they employees are not prepared for it.

Jasper: What would the effect be if the current statue was enacted giving them only \$35,000,000?
Response: If that were the case they would have to look at plan design changes.
Question: Infantine
Cost of plan per person and when was the plan changed.
Answer:10,000 on the plan. \$900 per person per month. Drug plan design change within the past year.
4) Calla Burgess. State of NH DCYF

Opposed to the bill

Her husband is disabled and on SS. This plan does not account for disabled spouses.

Changed the rules in the middle of the game. OK to change for new employees but not or current employees.

No Questions

5) Barbara Bell -opposed to the bill

Retiree- The medical benefits was one of the reasons she left the private sector to work for the state. To attract good employees management for the State and HR highlighted the benefits when hiring. Question: Long. Has anyone thanked you for your service lately? He then thanked her.

6) John Amrol- State Employee Retiree opposes the bill

State employee for 44 years.

He worked for Dot and the jobs he worked on were federally funded. The feds paid for the medical on those jobs and now he is being asked to pay for health care.

He was told he could retire at 65 with a full pension and health care for he and his spouse. He states that the State would say in collective bargaining to give up big raises in order to keep

health benefits.

Over \$65 \$400 single and \$400 for spouse. Medicaid D giving subsidy and Retirement plan is giving a subsidy. He states that the State actually gets more back than the cost. What is Medicaid D subsidy amount and where does it go?

He believed there is a surplus. Where did it go?

What about the self insured plan. What happened to that?

7) Robin McBrearty- State Employee early retiree- as a result of job stress for doing 3 jobs. Opposes the bill.

She was offered better jobs but stayed on to collect health benefits when she retired. "Antithesis of family friendly" with a minimal effect on the budget (\$20,000,000) Abdication by the state of their promise.

8)George Fryer- State Retiree opposes the bill He tracks the medical costs on his computer. Are the funds available. We do not have a broad based tax. We should look at other ways to fund our expenses.

9) Alexandra Neff. State Employee

22 year anniversary with the State. Made plans but her husband was laid off by the State at age 59. Bottom line for her. She ran the numbers and her retirement would be \$22,000 a year and her cost for her husband's health insurance would be \$900 a month. She submitted her testimony and print out of her retirement benefits.

10)Major David Kelley

NH Retired State Troopers Association- Opposes the bill State implied a promise to provide health insurance for employee and spouse. Gave up raises to maintain health care.

11)Johanne Keller State Employee 12 Years Veterans Home. Opposes the bill Took a \$4.00 cut in pay for the future benefit for her and her husband. Submitted a letter from another State Employee Vi Lewko.

12) Dennis Davey- retired State Police Sergeant-Opposes the bill.
He is now wheel chair bound because of a medical illness.
He did not leave State Employee status because he was born to be a trooper.
Wife is also sick.
He was promised 2 things.
He would not get rich but he will have insurance for he and his wife.

13)Cathy Wallace. Called but did not testify.

14)Ken Roos- opposes the bill

Wanted to stop at hardware store on the way to the hearing to get screws and tacts. He was not sure if this bill was a screwing or a tax.

Left Anthem 20 years ago to work for the State.

Remember retirement income is taxable income.

Children left NH for better opportunities. They are smarter than their father and will not work for the

State and their empty promises.

15) Marc Beaudoin – Police officer with the State.

The medical benefit was an implied promise. Stayed with NH and did not go to FBI because of the benefits. Wants to have his own business someday and the benefits are a part of his plan.

Speakers

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SIGN UP SHEET

To Register Opinion If Not Speaking

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Hearing Minutes

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DATE:	2/4/11	
LOB ROOM:	201 & 203 Time Public Hearing Called to Order:	

Time Adjourned:

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TESTIMONY

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*David Howe, Attorney (No Position)

Plan 2003 prepared unfunded liability. RSA 10C adopted. 2005 after IRS ruling plan was not fullfunded at the time earnings of the fund was to make up the difference contributed to plan (up to 10%) of their income- 20 year amortization plan. See Section 10_____ - \$400,000 reduction. State portion \$3.6 million and reduce to \$3.2 million. Assumed rate of return 8%.

*Attorney Zibel, NH Judicial - Supports HB 299

Board takes no position. Only covers full-time judges. 2007 RSA 100-A:16. II(e) amended. From 20 years to 30 years. HB 292 is designed to change the system or amend it – RSA 100-C:13, III(d). (See written testimony.)

Respectfully submitted,

John Sedensky, Acting Clerk

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Sub-Committee Actions

HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 299-FN

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DATE: 2/11/11

LOB ROOM: 201 & 203

Amendments: Reconsider 11-0

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Sullivan

Seconded by Rep. Baroody

Vote: 11-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

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Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 11-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ken Hawkins Rep. Lynne Blankenbeker, Clerk

HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON HB 299-FN

BILL TITLE: relative to the method of financing for the judicial retirement plan. DATE: 2/11/11

Subcommittee Members: Reps.

Comments and Recommendations: Reconsider - 11-0 <u>Amendments</u>: 0140 Sponsor: Rep. Richarson Sponsor: Rep.

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Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

Respectfully submitted, Rep. Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

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2011 SESSION

SPECIAL COMMITTEE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM

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Printed: 1/31/2011

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REP KURK WOULD LIKE TO BRING AN AMENDMENT . CHAIRMAN REAGAN AGREED. THE COMMITTEE WILL HAVE THE AMENDMENT NEXT WEEK, AND THEN THE COMMITTEE WILL HAVE AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AFTER CONSIDERATION OF THAT AMENDMENT. When with rescheduted exec Session after consideration of that amendment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION HB 231-FN

RECESSED UNTIL NOON ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2011 FOR A NEW AMENDMENT.

Testimony

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE BUDGET ASSISTANT

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		FISCAL NOTE			
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- (2) Place all negative numbers in parenthesis.
 (3) You may replicate this worksheet.
 (4) Refer to <u>Guidelines for Fiscal Note Worksheets</u> for further information.

(A) <u>ASSUMPTIONS</u>: Explain how estimate was derived. Describe costs that can be absorbed without additional funding. If no estimate can be prepared, <u>explain why in detail</u>. If no fiscal impact, <u>explain why in detail</u>.

When the Judicial Retirement Plan was created, RSA 100-C provided that the unfunded liability would be calculated over a period of 20 years from the date of implementation of the Chapter. This means that from approximately January 1, 2005, forward there remain only 14 years of the Plan's calculations for unfunded liabilities. Because of that, the market drop of 2008 (which was close to 40%) has a dramatic impact on the calculation for liabilities going forward in the 14 years left in the Plan given its implementation as of January 1, 2005.

The New Hampshire Retirement System statute had a similar provision that was changed by the legislature to read as provided in RSA 100-A:16 as set forth in the LSR. The prior NHRS statute had likewise run the basis of unfunded accrued liability as 20 years from 1968 thus necessitating the change to a 30 year rolling average. The Judicial Retirement Plan should likewise have parity with RSA 100-A and if so it would <u>save</u> the general fund \$409,967 per year by lowering the employer contribution rate from 46% to 41%. Currently that rate is 46.3% and the actuary for the New Hampshire Judicial Retirement Plan calculates a savings of \$820,000 over the biennium if the statute is amended and the contribution rate can then be lowered to 41%.

(B) <u>METHOD:</u> Show calculations used to determine fiscal impact. <u>Calculations must agree with</u> and explain totals on first page.

See attached Tab A..

FISCAL NOTE WORKSHEET Page 2

(C) <u>ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT</u> (from A and B): <u>Estimated Fiscal Impact must agree with</u> the totals on first page.

\$820,000 in lower employer contribution costs to the general fund budget of the Supreme Court (Agency 10).

(D) ADDITIONAL OR LONG-RANGE EFFECTS:

General fund reductions will lower the base for employer contributions going forward.

(E) TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS: Note any conflicts with existing law. Do not comment on the merits of the legislation.

See A above.

FISCAL NOTE WORKSHEET Page 3 (F) OTHER COMMENTS: Include tax variables, federal mandates, etc.

See law summary attached as Tab B to further clarify paragraph A.

AGENOY REPRESENTATIVE PREPARING WORKSHEET:

Name/Signature

Executive Director, New Hampshire Judicial Retirement Plan, 224-1988 Title, Agency and Phone Number

January 13, 2011 Date

> FISCAL NOTE WORKSHEET Page 4



NEW HAMPSHIRE JUDICIAL RETIREMENT PLAN

SECTION III - DEVELOPMENT OF CONTRIBUTION B. Contribution

Pursuant to RSA 100-C:14, member contributions will be fixed biennially at 50% of the annual (normal cost) contribution, but not more than 10% of compensation. Member contributions will cease once the member has become eligible for a service retirement equal to 75%

	January 1, 2008	January 1, 2010	January 1, 2010	January 1, 2010
		15 Year Amortization	20 Year Amortization	30 Year Amortization
Determination of Member Contributions				
(1) Total Normal Cost	\$2,210,959	\$2,542,963	\$2,542,963	\$2,542,963
(2) Total Payroll	7,089,260	7,760,186	7,760,186	7,760,186
 (3) Total Normal Cost as a Percent of Payroll: (1)/(2) (4) Member Contribution Rate: 	31.19%	32.77%	32.77%	32.77%
50% of (3), Maximum 10%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
(5) Expected Member Contributions *	631,398	659,725	659,725	659,725
Determination of Employer Contributions				
(6) Past Service Cost (see Section IIIA)	513,814	1,710,451	1,491,174	1,300,484
(7) Employer Normal Cost: (1) - (5)	1,579,561	1,883,238	1,883,238	1,883,238
(8) Total Employer Contribution: (6) + (7)	2,093,375	3,593,689	3,374,412	3,183,722
 (9) Employer Contribution as a % of pay: (8) / (2) 	29.53%	46.31%	43.48%	41.03%
		CURRENT	LAW	LSR

* Dollar amount is less than 10% of payroll to reflect assumptions regarding retirement, disability and death, as a well as no member contributions once a member reaches the 75% maximum benefit.

Except as otherwise indicated in this exhibit, the explanatory notes contained in the January 1, 2010 Actuarial Valuation of the New Hampshire Judicial Retirement Plan, including statements of reliance and limitations on use, continue to apply.

TAB B

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Here is the equivalent provision to RSA 100-C:13, III(d) from the New Hampshire Retirement System's statute. It is RSA 100-A:16, II(e) (Supp. 2009):

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The last sentence was changed in 2007 by Laws of 2007, Chapter 268.7. That sentence used to read as follows:

On the basis of each such unfunded accrued liability, the board shall have an actuary determine the level annual contribution required to discharge such amount over a period of 20 years from June 30, 1968.

It is interesting that the above language stayed in the statute for almost 20 years after the "period of 20 years from June 30, 1968" was over. Also, I believe the wording of RSA 100-C:13, III(d) is consistent with the wording of the now superseded language of RSA 100-A:16, II(e), but the language which was in effect in 2003 when RSA Chapter 100-C was adopted, in that I believe June 30, 1968, was the date of implementation of RSA Chapter 100-A.

COMPARISON OF RSA 100-A:16, II(e) (NHRS) WITH RSA 100-C:13, III(d) (JRP)

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Voting Sheets

HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 299-FN

BILL TITLE: relative to the method of financing for the judicial retirement plan.

DATE: 2/04/11

LOB ROOM: 201 & 203

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep.:Richardson, Dist. 4	OLS Document#:
Sponsor: Rep. Sen Houde, Dist. 5	OLS Document #:
Sponsor: Rep.	OLS Document #:

Motions: OTP(OTP/A) ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Hawkins

Seconded by Rep. Shurtleff

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: (Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent:

Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. John B. Sedensky, Acting Clerk Rep. Lynne Blankenbeker, Clerk

HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 299-FN

BILL TITLE: relative to the method of financing for the judicial retirement plan. DATE: 2/4/2.011

LOB ROOM: 205

Amendments:

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Motions:OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)Moved by Rep.Moved by Rep.Seconded by Rep.Strucktle FFVote:(Please attach record of roll call vote.)

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Seconded by Rep.

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REP JOHN BSEDENSKY Fill in QLERK

Committee Report

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February 16, 2011

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on <u>SPECIAL COMMITTEE PUBLIC</u> <u>EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM</u> to which was referred HB299-FN,

AN ACT relative to the method of financing for the judicial retirement plan. Having considered the same, report the same with the following amendment, and the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.

Rep. Kenneth Hawkins

FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk Cc: Committee Bill File

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	SPECIAL COMMITTEE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS REFORM	
Bill Number:	HB299-FN	
Title:	relative to the method of financing for the judicial retirement plan.	
Date:	February 16, 2011	
Consent Calendar:	YES	
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT	

STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 11-0.

Rep. Kenneth Hawkins FOR THE COMMITTEE

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