

REGULAR CALENDAR

October 26, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on Executive Departments and Administration to which was referred HB 1557,

AN ACT relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system. Having considered the same, report the same: NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUTURE LEGISLATION.

Rep. Jeffrey Goley

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Executive Departments and Administration
Bill Number:	HB 1557
Title:	relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.
Date:	October 26, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUTURE LEGISLATION

STATEMENT OF INTENT

The language in this bill was amended into HB 1497 which has passed the senate and was signed into law by the governor. Therefore this bill is no longer needed.

Vote 14-0.

Rep. Jeffrey Goley
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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Executive Departments and Administration

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CONSENT CALENDAR

February 7, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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AN ACT relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill be REFERRED FOR INTERIM STUDY.

Rep. Carol McGuire

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Executive Departments and Administration
Bill Number:	HB 1557
Title:	relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.
Date:	February 7, 2022
Consent Calendar:	CONSENT
Recommendation:	REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill would change the language in RSA 100A:13,I from “after the effective date of retirement” to “from the date of the original notice of retirement provided by the retirement system”. It was a change supported by NHRS. The language was added to another bill that was in the committee, HB 1497, that had made an additional change to the same law. The committee believes interim study is appropriate until HB 1497 passes the and becomes law.

Vote 18-0.

Rep. Carol McGuire
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1557

BILL TITLE: relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

DATE: October 5, 2022

LOB ROOM: 302 - 304

MOTION:

Interim Study (2nd yr) Not Recommended for Future Legislation

Moved by Rep. Goley

Seconded by Rep. McGuire

Vote: 14-0

Respectfully submitted,

Rep John Sytek, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1557

BILL TITLE: relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

DATE: 10-5-22

LOB ROOM: 302 - 304

MOTION: Recommended for Future Legislation

Not Recommended for Future Legislation

Moved by Rep. GOLBY

Seconded by Rep. M^EGUIRE

Vote: 14-0

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. 
Committee Clerk



2022 SESSION

Executive Departments and Administration

Bill #: HB 1557 Motion: NOT RECOMMENDED AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 10-5-22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
McGuire, Carol M. Chairman	X		
Rhodes, Jennifer M. Vice Chairman	X		
Sytek, John Clerk	X		
Pearson, Stephen C. <u>LASCHELLS</u>	X		
Yakubovich, Michael <u>DAWN JOHNSON</u>	X		
Lekas, Tony	X		
Alliegro, Mark C.	X		
Bailey, Glenn	X		
Lanzara, Tom E.			
Santonastaso, Matthew	X		
Goley, Jeffrey P.	X		
Schuett, Dianne E.	X		
Jeudy, Jean L.			
Schmidt, Peter B.			
Marsh, William M.	X		
Fellows, Sallie D.	X		
Fontneau, Timothy J.			
Grote, Jaci L.	X		
O'Brien, Michael B.			
TOTAL VOTE:			

74-0

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1557

BILL TITLE: relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

DATE: February 7, 2022

LOB ROOM: 302-304

MOTIONS: **OUGHT TO PASS Reconsider OTP vote of 1/25/2022**

Moved by Rep. McGuire Seconded by Rep. S. Pearson Vote: 18-0

MOTIONS: **OUGHT TO PASS**

Moved by Rep. McGuire Seconded by Rep. S. Pearson Vote: 0-18

MOTIONS: **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY**

Moved by Rep. McGuire Seconded by Rep. Goley Vote: 18-0

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep John Sytek, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS & ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on Bill # HB 1557

BILL TITLE: RELATIVE TO SURVIVOR BENEFIT OPTIONAL ALLOWANCES UNDER RETIREMENT SYSTEM

DATE: 2-7-22

LOB ROOM: 302

MOTION: (Please check one box) RECONSIDER OTP VOTE OF 1/25

- OTP
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. M^cGUIRE Seconded by Rep. PEARSON Vote: 18-0

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- OTP/A
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered) FAILS

Moved by Rep. M^cGUIRE Seconded by Rep. PEARSON Vote: 0-18

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- OTP/A
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. M^cGUIRE Seconded by Rep. GOLEY Vote: 18-0

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- OTP/A
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

CONSENT CALENDAR: J YES _____ NO

Minority Report? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, author, Rep: _____ Motion _____

Respectfully submitted: [Signature]
Rep. John Sytek, Clerk



2021 SESSION

McG-Cole

Executive Departments and Administration

Bill #: HB 1557 Motion: INTERIM STUDY AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2-7-22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
McGuire, Carol M. Chairman	X		
Roy, Terry Vice Chairman	X		
Sytek, John Clerk	X		
Pearson, Stephen C.	X		
Yakubovich, Michael	X		
Lekas, Tony	X		
Alliegro, Mark C.	X		
Bailey, Glenn	X		
Lanzara, Tom E.	X		
Santonastaso, Matthew	X		
Goley, Jeffrey P.	X		
Schuett, Dianne E.	X		
Judy, Jean L.	X		
Schmidt, Peter B.			
Schultz, Kristina M.	X		
Fellows, Sallie D.	X		
Fontneau, Timothy J.	X		
Grote, Jaci L.	X		
O'Brien, Michael B.	X		
TOTAL VOTE:			



2021 SESSION

OTP FAILS

Executive Departments and Administration

Bill #: HB 1557 Motion: *RECONSIDER*
WALK OTP
BEFORE WE CAN MOVE IT AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2-7-22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
McGuire, Carol M. Chairman		X	
Roy, Terry Vice Chairman		X	
Sytek, John Clerk		X	
Pearson, Stephen C.		X	
Yakubovich, Michael		X	
Lekas, Tony		X	
Alliegro, Mark C.		X	
Bailey, Glenn		X	
Lanzara, Tom E.		X	
Santonastaso, Matthew		X	
Goley, Jeffrey P.		X	
Schuett, Dianne E.		X	
Judy, Jean L.		X	
Schmidt, Peter B.			
Schultz, Kristina M.		X	
Fellows, Sallie D.		X	
Fontneau, Timothy J.		X	
Grote, Jaci L.		X	
O'Brien, Michael B.		X	
TOTAL VOTE:			



2021 SESSION *MG/P*

Executive Departments and Administration

Bill #: HB 1557 Motion: RECONS LOER AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2-7-22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
McGuire, Carol M. Chairman	X		
Roy, Terry Vice Chairman	X		
Sytek, John Clerk	X		
Pearson, Stephen C.	X		
Yakubovich, Michael	X		
Lekas, Tony	X		
Alliegro, Mark C.	X		
Bailey, Glenn	X		
Lanzara, Tom E.	X		
Santonastaso, Matthew	X		
Goley, Jeffrey P.	X		
Schuett, Dianne E.	X		
Judy, Jean L.	X		
Schmidt, Peter B.			
Schultz, Kristina M.	X		
Fellows, Sallie D.	X		
Fontneau, Timothy J.	X		
Grote, Jaci L.	X		
O'Brien, Michael B.	X		
TOTAL VOTE:			

19-0

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1557

BILL TITLE: relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

DATE: January 25, 2022

LOB ROOM: 302-304

MOTIONS: OUGHT TO PASS

Moved by Rep. T. Lekas

Seconded by Rep. Grote

Vote: 14-1

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep John Sytek, Clerk



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2021 SESSION

Executive Departments and Administration

Bill #: HB 1557 Motion: OTP AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 1-25-22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
McGuire, Carol M. Chairman	X		
Roy, Terry Vice Chairman <u>R. HOPES</u>	X		
Sytek, John Clerk	X		
Pearson, Stephen C.			
Yakubovich, Michael	X		
Lekas, Tony	X		
Alliegro, Mark C.	X		
Bailey, Glenn	X		
Lanzara, Tom E.			
Santonastaso, Matthew		X	
Goley, Jeffrey P.	X		
Schuett, Dianne E.	X		
Jeudy, Jean L.			
Schmidt, Peter B.	X		
Schultz, Kristina M. <u>MARSIE</u>	X		
Fellows, Sallie D.	X		
Fontneau, Timothy J.			
Grote, Jaci L.	X		
O'Brien, Michael B.	X		
TOTAL VOTE:			

14-0

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1557

BILL TITLE: relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

DATE: January 25, 2022

LOB ROOM: 302-304 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 10:55 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 11:10 a.m.

Committee Members: Reps. McGuire, Rhodes, Sytek, Yakubovich, S. Pearson, T. Lekas, Alliegro, Bailey, Santonastaso, Goley, Schuett, P. Schmidt, Fellows, Grote, O'Brien and Marsh

Bill Sponsors:

Rep. Goley

Rep. S. Pearson

Rep. Schuett

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. Goley, sponsor, introduced the bill and spoke in favor. He described his personal situation. He did not get his final numbers until 6 months after retirement but he had to make a decision in 120 days. This bill corrects the situation by giving the member adequate time after receiving final numbers.

Marty Karlon, NHRS, took no position and testified for informational purposes and described survivor benefits. He took Committee questions regarding changing beneficiaries.

Arthur Beaudry, representing the NH State Permanent Retired Fire Fighters Ass'n, spoke in favor. He said that the choice of beneficiary is important and the member should have complete numbers.

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2022 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT

relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Goley, Hills. 8; Rep. S. Pearson, Rock. 6; Rep. Schuett, Merr. 20

COMMITTEE:

Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill changes the time frame for the grace period to elect to receive a survivor benefit optional retirement allowance under the New Hampshire retirement system.

Explanation:

Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to survivor benefit optional allowances under the retirement system.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Retirement System; Optional Allowances; 120-day Grace Period. Amend RSA 100-A:13, I to
2 read as follows:

3 I. Any member who has reached service retirement age as provided in RSA 100-A:5, I(a), or
4 II(a), or RSA 100-A:19-b, any retiree within 120 days [~~after the effective date of retirement~~] *from*
5 *the date of the original notice of retirement provided by the retirement system, not to*
6 *include any future benefit adjustments that may be carried out by the retirement system*
7 *relative to a beneficiary's monthly annuity*, or any retiree within 120 days after a decision by the
8 board of trustees granting the retiree disability retirement benefits pursuant to RSA 100-A:6, may
9 elect to receive, instead of the retirement allowance otherwise payable, a retirement allowance of
10 equivalent actuarial value under one of the options named in paragraph III, or to redesignate any
11 such option previously elected. When the member or retiree elects to receive an optional retirement
12 allowance under paragraph III, the beneficiary or beneficiaries whom the member or retiree
13 nominates may include the member's spouse and/or children. The notice of non-election, election, or
14 change of retirement option shall be on a form designated by the board, which, if the member or
15 retiree is married, shall include a spousal acknowledgment. The optional allowance shall be
16 effective upon retirement if the election is made before the effective date of retirement, and on the
17 first day of the month following receipt by the board of the notice of election or change of option if
18 made during a 120-day grace period. When an election or change of option is made during a 120-day
19 grace period, no retroactive adjustments will be made in payments already received by the retiree.
20 When an election or change of option is made within 120 days after a decision by the board of
21 trustees granting the retiree disability retirement benefits, the optional allowance shall be
22 calculated using retiree and beneficiary age factors applicable as of the first day of the month
23 following receipt by the board of the notice of election or change in option. After expiration of the
24 120-day grace period no change in option selection shall be permitted except as provided in
25 paragraph II. If a retiree dies after filing notice of election or change of option during the 120-day
26 grace period but before the effective date, the election or change shall be effective as of the date of
27 death. If a member dies after filing an election for a survivorship retirement option and before the
28 effective date of retirement, whether or not the member has filed for retirement, the beneficiary who
29 was nominated by the member in the election of the option may elect to receive either the optional
30 survivor benefit which the member had elected or the ordinary death benefit provided under RSA
31 100-A:9, whichever is more advantageous to the beneficiary; provided that, in the case of the

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1 member's death before retirement, if the beneficiary named in the survivorship option election is not
2 the same person as the beneficiary under RSA 100-A:9, then the death benefit under RSA 100-A:9,
3 II, and not the survivorship option shall apply.

4 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.