

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD
100 North Park Avenue, Room 201
Helena MT 59601

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Monday, January 20, 2025
1:30 pm

ATTENDANCE

Committee

Maggie Peterson, Committee Chair *(via video conference)*
Rich Hickel, Member *(via video conference)*
Dave Galt, Member *(via video conference)*
Doug Kary, Member *(via video conference)*
Jason Strouf, Member *(via video conference)*
Sonja Woods, Member *(via video conference)*

MPERA Staff

William Holahan, Executive Director
Hollie Resler, Deputy Director and Fiscal Services Bureau Chief
Nick Domitrovich, Chief Legal Counsel *(via video conference)*
Kelly Winterburn-Cox, Network Administrator
Cynthia Pearson, Executive Assistant

Public

Kelly Lee, MSFA/MSCOPFF *(via video conference)*

ACTIONS

V. Approve Legislative Committee Minutes

- Member Doug Kary moved to approve the minutes of the Legislative Committee's January 13, 2025 meeting, as presented. Member Dave Galt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.A. Update on MPERA Legislation

- General discussion. No formal action was taken on this item.

VI.B. Legislative Tracking

- Member Jason Strouf moved that the Board change its position from informational to be a proponent on LC2679, a legislative concept to generally revise the pension laws related to the Volunteer Firefighters' Compensation Act. Member Rich Hickel seconded the motion, which passed 5-1. Member Doug Kary voted in opposition.
- Member Jason Strouf moved that the Board change its position from a proponent to be informational on Senate Bill 122 (formerly LC0020), a bill revising the ADEC rate and setting a minimum contribution rate for HPORS, SRS, and GWPORS. Member Doug Kary seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.C. Schedule Next Legislative Committee Meeting

- The Legislative Committee agreed to meet next on January 27 at 1:30 p.m., reserving the right to cancel based on business needs.