Osborn, Carreiro & Associates, Inc.

ACTUARIES • CONSULTANTS • ANALYSTS

One Union National Plaza, Suite 1690 124 West Capitol Avenue Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 (501)376-8043 fax (501)376-7847

House Bill 1282

Actuarial Cost Study prepared for
Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs
of the Arkansas 93rd General Assembly

Provisions of the Bill

House Bill 1282 affects the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS). This bill will add the definition of a "border municipal airport authority" and then add it to the list of agencies allowed to participate in APERS.

Fiscal Impact

All outside agencies that are enrolled to participate in APERS pay the same contribution rate as all other employers. It is our opinion that there is no cost impact to APERS.

Other Information

There are already regional airport agencies defined in §14-362-101 et seq. that may participate in APERS, but municipal airports described in §14-361-101 are not currently included. The important question with outside agencies is whether it is considered a governmental employer as we understand the definition from the IRS. These municipal airports have similar governance structure in law as those already enrolled in APERS. Although the system will review the details of any new employer that wishes to enroll, it appears these municipal airports will be eligible to enroll in APERS if House Bill 1282 becomes law.

Sincerely,

Jody Caneno

Jody Carreiro, EA, ASA, MAAA, FCA

Actuary