

House Bill 1306

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Actuarial Cost Study prepared for

Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs
of the Arkansas 94th General Assembly


Provisions of the Bill

House Bill 1306 affects the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System (APERS), Arkansas State Highway Employees' Retirement System (ASHERS), and Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS). Current law assigns several state officials to be ex officio members of the respective Boards of Trustees. One of those is the Treasurer of the State who is elected by the citizens of Arkansas. House Bill 1306 replaces the Treasurer on these three Boards with the Securities Commissioner who is appointed by the Governor. The bill does not change the number of Board members or the roles of the Board members.

Fiscal Impact

We reviewed House Bill 1306 and have discussed it with the various systems' staffs. All of the state ex officio members are in positions that should provide some financial and investment expertise due to their positions. It would appear to us that the Securities Commissioner would have a knowledge base complimentary to the Boards and should have a similar impact on the various Boards of Trustees. Therefore, it is our opinion that there is no fiscal impact to APERS, ASHERS, or ATRS due to the provisions of this bill.

Sincerely,



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