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(Paulsen)**Executive Summary of Commission Staff Materials**

Affected Pension Plan(s): TRA, First Class City Teacher Plans, IRAP
Relevant Provisions of Law: Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 356
General Nature of Proposal: Continuation of active service and plan membership while on active military duty.
Date of Summary: February 8, 2006

Specific Proposed Changes

- Adds general law provision continuing Minnesota teachers in Minnesota public pension plan coverage while the teacher is rendering active military service, with the cost of the member and employer contributions paid by the applicable employing unit.

Policy Issues Raised by the Proposed Legislation

1. Appropriateness of Legislative Mandate of Additional Employment Benefit.
2. Cost to Educational Employers of Mandated Member Contribution Payment.
3. Appropriateness of Potential Windfall for Called-Up Teachers Who Do Not Return from Active Military Service.
4. Problem of Determining Disability Benefit Eligibility for Former Teachers on Military Service Call Up.
5. Appropriateness of Including Non-Teaching Personnel in the Proposed Retirement Coverage Change.
6. Precedent.

Potential Amendments

No Commission staff amendments.

