

**S.F. xxx****H.F. xxx; LCPR05-336**
(Abeler)**Executive Summary of Commission Staff Materials**

Affected Pension Plan(s): PERA-General
Relevant Provisions of Law: Special Law Provision
General Nature of Proposal: Prior service credit purchase
Date of Summary: January 26, 2006

Specific Proposed Changes

- Authorizes a former municipal golf professional to purchase PERA-General service credit for prior service as golf pro characterized as independent contractor service, with a mandated municipal payment of a portion of the purchase amount.

Policy Issues Raised by the Proposed Legislation

1. Conformity with the revised Commission policy principle on prior service credit purchases.
2. Equitable considerations.
3. Accuracy of characterization as independent contractor; appropriateness of the proposed mandated employer funding/extent of culpability by the city of Anoka.
4. Affordability and cost.
5. Precedent.
6. Need for greater PERA scrutiny of membership exclusion.

Potential Amendments

No Commission staff amendments

