



TO: Members of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement
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 RE: H.F. xxxx; S.F. 430 (Betzold) *JAM*
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Summary of H.F. xxxx; S.F. 430 (Betzold)

H.F. xxxx; S.F. 430 (Betzold) amends various provisions in 2006 legislation, chiefly the 2006 omnibus retirement bills, to correct errors or omitted language that were identified by the Commission staff in preparing the summary of the 2006 pension legislation or by the Office of the Revisor of Statutes.

Section-by-Section Summary of H.F. xxxx; S.F. 430 (Betzold)

Sec.	Pg.Ln – Pg.Ln	Retirement Plan	Stat. Provision	Summary
1	1.1 – 1.18	Legislators Plan	3A.05	Corrects retroactive payment date for survivor benefit of later of the date of the benefit accrual or one year prior to the application filing so that benefit payment cannot predate the qualifying death.
2	1.19 – 4.3	TRA	354.44, Subd. 6	Completes the verb for the post-July 1, 2006, benefit accrual rate provision with the addition of the word “entitled” after “is.”
3	4.4 – 4.24	First Class City Teachers	354A.12, Subd. 3c	Clarifies the application of the supplemental local contribution termination provision by separating the prior compound sentence into two sentences, one for Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis, and one for Independent School District No. 625, St. Paul.
4	4.25 – 6.24	SPTRFA	354A.12, Subd. 3d	Corrects the baseline administrative experience amount reference for a supplemental administrative expense assessment by reinstating the word “plus” that had been inadvertently stricken in 2006.
5	6.25 – 8.3	Small Volunteer Fire Plans	356A.06, Subd. 6	Corrects a cross-reference to the 2006 enactment of the 2002 Uniform Securities Act, replacing a reference in the investment authority provision to a non-existent section in the uniform act with what appears to be the correct reference.
6	8.4 – 8.31	MSRS-Correctional	Laws 2006, Ch. 271, Art. 2, Sec. 12, Subd. 1	Replaces a reference to “section 1” with “this subdivision,” correcting a provision that was not correctly adapted when a separate bill was folded into the omnibus retirement bill.
7	8.32 – 9.8	MSRS-Correctional	Laws 2006, Ch. 271, Art. 2, Sec. 13, Subd. 3	Corrects an incorrect “2005” date to “2007” for the due date provision for a potential service credit transfer for a Department of Corrections employee who may be authorized to transfer coverage for a period of prior service.
8	9.9 – 9.18	PERA-P&F	Laws 2006, Ch. 271, Art. 14, Sec. 2, Subd. 3	Replaces language relating to a Faribault firefighter service credit purchase authorized in 2006 that was in the original bill but was omitted when the provision was incorporated into the 2006 omnibus retirement bill.
9	9.20 – 9.25	--	Effective Date	Generally effective retroactively to the appropriate date based on the passage of the 2006 omnibus retirement bill.

Discussion and Analysis

H.F. xxxx; S.F. 430 (Betzold) attempts to correct various errors and omissions identified in 2006 legislation related to pensions and retirement.

Because the proposed legislation is intended to correct technical, typographical, or engrossing errors or problems, the proposed legislation raises a single issue for consideration by the Commission, which is the accuracy of the proposed corrections. The Commission staff has circulated the draft proposed legislation among the three major pension system administrators for their reaction in November 2006 or December 2006. The system administrators should be afforded an opportunity to identify any problems with the proposed legislation or to suggest any improvements in the intended corrections.



