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AGENDA

Action Items

- 1. Approval of March 7, 2017, meeting minutes.
- 2. SF 26 (Sparks); HF 11 (Poppe): Austin Fire Relief Association/PERA-P&F; Permitting an alternative allocation of fire state aid for the city of Austin.
 - Tom Dankert, Director of Administrative Services, City of Austin
 - Amendment S0026-1A
 - Amendment S0026-2A
- 3. SF 1945 (Lourey); HF 2092 (Rarick): PERA-SVFRP; Permitting the city of Brook Park to lower the service pension level under the statewide plan.

Testifiers:

Dan Baran......Mayor, City of Brook Park
Rebecca Conyers.......Clerk-Treasurer, City of Brook Park

Non-Action Item

4. SF xxxx; HF xxxx (LCPR17-029): VFRAs; Requiring municipal ratification of benefit increases by volunteer firefighter relief associations (VFRAs) if the municipality makes contributions.

SF 545 (Rosen); HF 565 (O'Driscoll), Art. 7, Sec. 6: VFRAs; Flexible service pension maximums.

Testifiers:

Michael G. Lugar......President, Eden Prairie Firefighter Relief Association;
Lieutenant, Eden Prairie Fire Department
Robyn RowenRepresenting the Eden Prairie Firefighter Relief Association
Brian Rice.....Representing the Maplewood Firefighters Relief Association

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- 5. SF 1384 (Rosen); HF 1672 (Murphy): VFRAs; Implementing the recommendations of the Volunteer Fire Relief Association Working Group.
 - State Auditor Rebecca Otto
 - Amendment S1384-1A
 - Revisor's technical amendment A17-0222

Testifiers:

Ron JohnsonTreasurer, Maple Grove Fire Relief Assn., working group member Nealon Thompson ... Fire Chief, Apple Valley Fire Depart., working group member Mark KerrInvestig. Director/Data Practices Official, Office of the State Auditor