



TO: House Members of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

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RE: 2009 House Omnibus Retirement Bill (H.F. 723, First Engrossment), as Recommended by the House State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections Committee

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Introduction

H.F. 723 (Murphy, M.), the first engrossment, contains the contents of the 2009 House Omnibus Retirement Bill as recommended by the House State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology and Elections Committee on April 7, 2009.

Source Legislation for the 2009 House Omnibus Retirement Bill

The 2009 House Omnibus Retirement Bill, S.F. 723 (Murphy, M.), the first engrossment, is derived from the following retirement bills and amendments:

1. S.F. 191 (Betzold); H.F. 723 (Murphy, M.): MSRS-General, MSRS-Correctional, State Patrol: Disability benefits provision modifications.
2. S.F. 193 (Betzold); H.F. 727 (Murphy, M.): MSRS-Correctional; Disability benefit program revisions.
3. S.F. 197 (Skogen); H.F. 318 (Nornes): PERA; Service credit purchase for period of past due omitted contributions.
4. S.F. 223 (Wiger); H.F. 231 (Lillie): MSRS, PERA; Teacher assistant retirement coverage exclusion option to qualify for deferred annuities augmentation.
5. S.F. 305 (Bakk); H.F. 122 (Dill): MSRS; Disability benefit application filing date deadline exception.
6. S.F. 504 (Betzold); H.F. 825 (Murphy, M.): Volunteer firefighters; Creation of a voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan.
7. S.F. 506 (Betzold, by request); H.F. 592 (Thissen): Teachers retirement provisions modifications.
8. S.F. 546 (Betzold); H.F. 726 (Murphy, M.): State Patrol; Disability benefit program revisions.
9. S.F. 557 (Bakk); H.F. 732 (Dill): Brimson Fire; Permit alternate composition of the board of trustees.
10. S.F. 578 (Betzold); H.F. 1123 (Murphy, M.): MSRS, PERA, TRA, First class city teachers; Administrative and benefit-related provisions.
11. S.F. 605 (Jungbauer); H.F. 757 (Murphy, M. by request): DOT Pilots; Transportation department aircraft pilot disability and retirement provisions modification.
12. S.F. 669 (Betzold); H.F. 741 (Kahn): MFRA, MPRA, PERA; Permitting PERA-General coverage for staff of the Minneapolis Firefighters Relief Association and Minneapolis Police Relief Association.
13. S.F. 686 (Pappas); H.F. xxxx: SPTRFA; Cost-of-living adjustment; repeal investment trigger; bylaws revision.
14. S.F. 749 (Betzold); H.F. 950 (Murphy, M.): PERA; Postretirement option for general plan members.
15. S.F. 750 (Betzold); H.F. 982 (Murphy, M.): MSRS; Revise allowable service credit for job-share participants.
16. S.F. 777 (Betzold); H.F. 1111 (Murphy, M., by request): Statewide funds; Revising various retirement plan provisions in light of the Minnesota Post Retirement Investment Fund dissolution.
17. S.F. 921 (Betzold); H.F. 1124 (Murphy, M.): MSRS-Correctional; Addition and deletion to plan membership.
18. S.F. 1001 (Betzold); H.F. 1129 (Murphy, M.): Volunteer fire relief association working group recommendations.
19. S.F. 1179 (Betzold); H.F. xxxx: PERA; Erroneous receipts provision statute of limitations.
20. S.F. 1191 (Rosen); H.F. 1383 (Gunther): Fairmont Police Relief Association; Extending the amortization target date.
21. S.F. 1266 (Pappas); H.F. 1527 (Kahn): MnSCU; Early separation incentive programs authorization.
22. S.F. 1267 (Olson, M.); H.F. 1528 (Kahn): MnSCU; Tenured faculty defined benefit plan retirement coverage election authorization.
23. S.F. 1311 (Hann); H.F. 1409 (Loon): PERA; Waive minimum service requirement for disability application; Hennepin County employee.
24. S.F. 1625 (Skoe); H.F. 1923 (Sailer): PERA Privatization; Extend filing date for Clearwater County Memorial Hospital.
25. S.F. 1878 (Betzold); H.F. 1983 (Kahn): Minneapolis Firefighters Relief Association; Board of trustees membership modification.
26. Commission Amendment LCPR09-01A: PERA Privatization; Weiner Memorial Medical Center, Inc.
27. Commission Amendment LCPR09-02A (Skogen): MSRS, PERA, TRA; Annuity application revocation; municipal liquor store employee.
28. Commission Amendment S0191-16A: Various additional retirement provision drafting error corrections.
29. Commission Amendment S0191-20A: Erroneous contributions provisions for the city of Duluth and the Duluth Airport Authority.
30. Commission Amendment S0191-21A: First class city teacher retirement fund association erroneous contributions provisions.

General Summary of H.F. 723 (Murphy, M.), the First Engrossment

Article 1: Minnesota Post Retirement Investment Fund Dissolution Accommodation implements the mandate of Laws 2008, Chapter 349, Article 2, Section 2, for the statutory changes necessary to conform with the dissolution of the Minnesota Post Retirement Investment Fund (MPRIF) by creating a retirement fund for the Legislators Retirement Plan for purposes of handling that plan's MPRIF participation and its drawdown, and by revising the definition of the actuarial value of assets for public pension plan actuarial valuation reporting purposes.

Article 2: Disability Benefit Provision Changes contains changes in the disability benefit programs of the General State Employees Retirement Plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS-General), the MSRS Correctional State Employees Retirement Plan (MSRS-Correctional), and the State Patrol Retirement Plan. The article allows disability benefit applications for MSRS-General, MSRS-Correctional, and the State Patrol Retirement Plan to be filed within 18 months after termination of service rather than within 180 days (approximately six months). It also revises various MSRS-Correctional and State Patrol Retirement Plan disability provisions by specifying that disabilitants transfer from disability status to normal retirement at age 55 rather than age 65. The article also includes State Patrol Retirement Plan duty disabilitants in employer-paid continuing health insurance coverage if so determined by the MSRS executive director, reorganizes the State Patrol Retirement Plan definitions, provides for the crediting of full monthly service credit in any month with salary receipt and member contribution deduction in the State Patrol Retirement Plan, newly defines the terms "duty disability," "less frequent duties," "normal duties," and "regular disability" for the State Patrol Retirement Plan, moves two State Patrol Retirement Plan leave of absence service credit provisions, renames the current State Patrol Retirement Plan primary disability coverage as a duty disability benefit, renames the State Patrol Retirement Plan non-duty disability benefit as a regular disability benefit, and makes conforming changes in the State Patrol Retirement Plan to accommodate the revised plan definitions provision.

Article 3: State Correctional Retirement Plan Membership Changes increases the occupational positions covered by the plan by one occupied position, automotive mechanic, and reduces the occupational positions covered by the plan by one vacant position, automotive mechanic lead.

Article 4: Administrative Provisions contains various administrative and other changes. All state employees with coverage by the General Employee Retirement Plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA-General) are included in the state's Post Retirement Option in addition to the PERA staff and the 30-day break requirement following the termination of a Post Retirement Option position for a renewal under age 62 is eliminated. The PERA board is allowed to cancel interest payments under \$10 if the employing unit has taken a credit for a member deduction in error. The period for making in lieu of deduction contributions to PERA for periodic and repetitive leaves and military leaves is extended by 50 percent and military leave in lieu of deductions payments are permitted only upon return to the pre-leave employer. Military service prior service credit purchases in PERA are limited to discharges other than dishonorable. The Weiner Memorial Medical Center is included in the PERA privatization chapter and the deadline date for approval of the inclusion of the Clearwater County Hospital in the PERA privatization chapter is extended from 2009 to 2010. The PERA and first class city teacher retirement fund association erroneous receipts provision and the overpayment recovery provision are revised. Special erroneous member deduction correction and benefit overpayment recovery provisions for the City of Duluth and for the Duluth Airports Authority are specified. The accrual date for Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) annuities is made more flexible. Medical exams for TRA or first class city teacher retirement fund association disabilitants are permitted to be waived by the administrator. A TRA prior military service credit purchase is reenacted. Restrictions are placed on automatic deposits to joint or multi-party accounts. Authority is expanded for some TRA members to elect a supplemental needs trust as the second life on a joint-and-survivor annuity. Various plan provisions are revised for consistency with federal law requirements. The TRA payroll cycle reporting requirements are revised to allow TRA to receive more timely information on reemployed annuitants. As part of a benefit denial appeal, a retirement plan executive director is permitted, but not required, to require a plan member who is appealing the executive director's decision on a disability or other benefit application to participate in a fact-finding session conducted by an administrative law judge, and if applicable have a vocational assessment. The TRA refund provisions by requiring that the accumulated value of any disability benefits an individual may have received must be deducted from any refund the individual or the individual's survivors will receive upon termination. TRA provisions are amended to shift reemployed annuitant exempt income determinations and reporting regarding these reemployed annuitants from a calendar year basis to a fiscal year basis. Adjustment for erroneous receipts and recovery of overpaid benefits provisions are added to the first class city teacher retirement fund association laws.

Article 5: Local Government Post-Retirement Options permits employees covered by the General Employee Retirement Plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA-General), other than PERA staff and PERA-covered state employees, who are at least age 62 and immediately eligible to draw a PERA retirement annuity, to terminate employment and be immediately rehired in a position which is at least a 25 percent reduction from previous hours and is no more than half-time. Availability of positions under this program is at the discretion of the governing body of the employing unit. While in the program, reemployed annuitant maximum exempt earnings limitations do not apply. This program expires June 30, 2011.

Article 6: Teacher Retirement Plan Benefit and Funding Changes amends the laws governing or affecting the Teachers Retirement Association (TRA) and the first class city teacher retirement fund associations, by providing that, starting in Fiscal Year 2012, state aid payments to school operating funds would be increased by a total of two percent of Fiscal Year 2012 covered salaries, in four equal one-half percent of salary increments, for employing units qualified to received state aid and covered by the Teachers Retirement Association (TRA), by the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association (DTRFA), and by the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association (SPTRFA), by reducing, in 2011, the normal retirement age from age 66 to age 65 for those teachers who have a Social Security age 66 or age 67 full benefit receipt age, by extending to all teachers the age 62 with 30 years of service credit normal retirement age applicable to teachers hired before July 1, 1989, by increasing, in four annual installments beginning in 2011, the Coordinated Program member contribution rate by two percent of covered salary, by increasing, in four annual installments beginning in 2011, the Coordinated Program employer contribution rate by two percent of covered salary, by granting the applicable retirement board the authority to adjust member and employer contribution rates by one-quarter of one percent annual increments if the actuarial report of the retirement plan indicates a contribution deficiency or a contribution sufficiency after 2014, and by increasing the benefit accrual formula percentage rate for TRA and the two first class city teacher retirement plans for post-2011 service credit for the uniformity tier of benefits is increased from 1.9 percent per year to 2.1 percent per year and the benefit accrual formula percentage rates for the first class city teacher retirement fund associations' Coordinated Programs are increased to the post-2006 TRA benefit accrual formula percentage rates for the "Rule of 90" benefit tier for service rendered after July 1, 2011.

Article 7: MnSCU Related Retirement Provisions authorizes the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System (MnSCU) Board of Trustees to establish an early separation incentive program consisting of either cash incentives, employer contributions to the Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS) post-retirement health savings plan, or a combination of the two, and permits the incentives to be offered by the MnSCU Chancellor or by MnSCU college or university presidents to personnel consistent with MnSCU Board of Trustee-established eligibility requirements, with the cost of the incentives to be borne by the system office or by the applicable college or university, whichever applies, and which would sunset after five years. It also permits MnSCU faculty members a second opportunity to elect TRA coverage within one year of achieving tenure and by requiring those faculty members to purchase service credit for the pre-tenure service at the full actuarial value purchase price.

Article 8: St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association Post-Retirement Adjustments modifies the 2007 St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association (SPTRFA) two-year pilot program post-retirement adjustment mechanism with a federal Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index increase based demonstration post-retirement adjustment mechanism, capped at five percent annually and expiring on June 30, 2011.

Article 9: Local Police and Paid Fire Relief Association Changes extends the Fairmont Police Relief Association amortization target date from 2010 to 2020 and allows the Minneapolis Firefighters Relief Association to reduce the size of its board of trustees.

Article 10: Voluntary Statewide Lump-Sum Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan establishes the Voluntary Statewide Lump-Sum Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan to be administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) and a voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement fund to be invested by the State Board of Investment. The statewide plan would also have an advisory board drawn from local government associations and firefighting organizations. The statewide plan would provide 16 alternative lump sum per year of service service pension amounts, to be selected by the entity operating the volunteer fire department after receiving a cost estimate from PERA of the financial requirements of one or more potential benefit levels. Service pensions would be payable after the termination of active firefighting service, at or after age 50, with a partial benefit with five years of service credit and a full benefit with 20 years of service. No deferred service pension interest and no ancillary benefits other than a survivor benefit would be payable. For the initial five years after a fire department joins the plan, only a service pension equal to the pre-plan membership volunteer fire relief

association service pension amount would be payable. Fire state aid related to the fire department would be transmitted to the statewide plan and deposited in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement fund to the credit of the applicable account to offset upcoming required funding requirements. Any unfunded actuarial accrued liability of an account is required to be amortized over a ten-year period and crediting of a funding surplus against annual funding requirements is permitted if the account has at least three years of a funding surplus. The funding requirements for the statewide plan would be prepared using an actuarial procedure developed by the consulting actuary retained by PERA and would be based on a six percent interest actuarial assumption rate. If coverage by the statewide plan is elected, the prior volunteer firefighters' relief association would be dissolved, with the assets and liabilities of the prior relief association transferred to the statewide plan.

Article 11: Volunteer Fire Relief Association Changes, recommended by the Volunteer Fire Working Group, revises various portions of the volunteer firefighters' relief association laws. The provisions applicable to all types of volunteer firefighters' relief associations, the provisions applicable to defined contribution volunteer firefighters' relief associations, and the provisions applicable to defined benefit volunteer firefighters' relief associations are separated out and the various provisions are reorganized to more clearly specify the pertinent regulation. The prohibition on fire departments utilizing minors to perform any fire department activities is modified by an exception for activities by members of a youth group or educational institution that are performed with continuous adult supervision and conform to the applicable federal and state laws. The existing volunteer firefighters' relief association consolidation future benefit and funding provision is clarified as applicable to defined benefit plan volunteer firefighters' relief associations consolidating with defined benefit plan volunteer firefighters' relief associations and comparable volunteer firefighters' relief association consolidation future benefit and funding provisions are developed for the consolidation of defined contribution plan volunteer firefighters' relief associations with defined contribution plan volunteer firefighters' relief associations or for the consolidation of defined contribution plan volunteer firefighters' relief associations with defined benefit plan volunteer firefighters' relief associations. In instances where a municipality does not have a fire department with a firefighter relief association, the municipality is permitted to use fire state aid to pay the Public Employees Police and Fire Retirement Plan (PERA-P&F) employer contributions in addition to or instead of the currently permitted uses of fire equipment or fire department building acquisition or maintenance. Former firefighters or retired firefighters, if the volunteer firefighters' relief association bylaws so permit, could return to active firefighting service without penalty and potentially qualify for an additional service pension. Volunteer firefighters' relief associations are permitted to define in their bylaws a month for crediting service monthly, which may not be less than 16 days, and provides an anniversary date basis for crediting service monthly if the bylaws do not address the issue. The current uniformity of service pensions provision, which has a current exception for unspecified contrary provisions in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 424A, is modified to specify that the sole exception is a bylaw limit on creditable service credit. As an authorized disbursement from the special fund, a volunteer firefighters' relief association is authorized to pay premiums on casualty insurance from an insurance company licensed to do business in the state instead of the Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Association of Minnesota. For firefighters covered by a service pension payable in a single payment, the firefighter can designate a trust created under state law as the beneficiary in the event of the firefighters' death. The definitions of survivors applicable to the state-mandated lump sum volunteer firefighter supplemental benefit are made more consistent with the survivor definitions generally applicable in Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 424A. The Brimson Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association is permitted to utilize a board of trustees of ten rather than the current statutory number of nine.

Article 12: Correction of Prior Drafting Errors eliminates a provision of the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund (MERF) Retirement Benefit Fund governing law that was incorrectly included in the transfer of the post-retirement adjustment determination procedure in 2008. An incorrect statutory cross-reference to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 179, is replaced with a reference to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 179A, the Public Employee Labor Relations Act in the qualified part-time teacher participation program of the Teachers Retirement Association. An obsolete reference to the former Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association is eliminated in the proportionate annuity at age 65 general retirement law provision. An outdated full actuarial value service credit purchase payment provision for the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund is eliminated and replaced with cross-references to the general retirement law full actuarial value service credit purchase payment provision. A retirement law repealer incorrectly drafted in 1989 is corrected. Incorrect local special law citations in a 2008 repealer of probably obsolete Anoka Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association, Edina Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association, and White Bear Lake Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association local special laws are corrected. An obsolete actuarial services billing provision relating to the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement when the Commission retained the consulting actuary preparing regular actuarial work is repealed.

Article 13: One Person and Small Group Retirement Provisions revises the Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS) transportation department pilots provision by removing any mandatory retirement age for pilots, by permitting disability applications after age 62, by permitting application for disability benefits from MSRS-General and using an occupation-specific standard, and by closing the provision to new hires. It also adds employees of the Minneapolis relief associations, who are not covered by the relief association plans, to PERA's included employee definition, clarifies that any employee of these relief associations who is covered by the relief association pension plan is not eligible for the PERA coverage, and to avoid potential double coverage, specifies that contributions to the plan or plans that previously provided primary pension coverage must end when PERA coverage commences. The article also permits a part-time Elizabeth, Minnesota, municipal liquor store employee to purchase four months of service credit in the PERA General Employee Retirement Plan (PERA-General) at full actuarial value, permits a part-time Underwood, Minnesota, municipal liquor store employee to revoke retirement annuity applications previously filed with PERA-General and/or TRA and to continue in public employment and take the two retirement annuities at its conclusion, to permit a former Silver Bay, Minnesota, Veterans Home employee to apply for an MSRS-General disability benefit despite missing the statutory 180-day post-termination limit and receive a disability benefit if otherwise qualified, allows former participants, active or retired, in the Minnesota job share program who were employed on at least a half-time basis, upon application, to receive service credit for MSRS-General on the same basis as non-job share program part-time employees with, for retired state employees, their retirement benefit based on any additional service credit obtained to be recomputed as of the first day of the month next following the effective date of the legislation, but payable without any retroactive recomputed annuity amount, and authorizes a Hennepin County employee to apply for disability benefits from PERA-General, notwithstanding a requirement in PERA disability law that at least two years of service must be provided after returning to PERA-covered employment before being permitted to apply for disability benefits.

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Section-by-Section Summary of H.F. 723, the First Engrossment

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| Sec. | Pg.Ln | Source Bill(s) | Retirement Plan | Stat. Provision | Summary |
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| Article 1: Minnesota Post Retirement Investment Fund Dissolution Accommodation | | | | | |
| 1 | 3.5 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Legislators Plan | 3A.02, Subd. 3 | Clarifies the retirement annuities are payable from the retirement fund created in Sec. 3 or from the general fund instead of the MPRIF. |
| 2 | 3.11 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Legislators Plan | 3A.02, New Subd. 6 | Specifies eligibility for retirement allowances for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 3 | 3.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Legislators Plan | 3A.03, New Subd. 3 | Creates a legislators retirement fund in the State Treasury, consisting of the reserves for the Legislators Plan in the former MPRIF. |
| 4 | 3.23 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Legislators Plan | 3A.04, New Subd. 2a | Specifies eligibility for survivor benefits for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 5 | 3.27 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Legislators Plan | 3A.115 | Provides for the payment of retirement annuities for pre-2003 retired legislators from the Legislators Retirement Fund until its assets are exhausted and then from the State General Fund. |
| 6 | 4.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Board of Investment | 11A.08, Subd. 1 | Clarifies the qualification of the retiree serving on the Investment Advisory Council of the SBI and updates the provision under current style and language usage conventions. |
| 7 | 4.27 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Board of Investment | 11A.23, Subd. 1 | Eliminates obsolete reference to the former MPRIF. |
| 8 | 5.3 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Board of Investment | 11A.23, Subd. 2 | Eliminates obsolete reference to the former MPRIF. |
| 9 | 5.9 | Commission Amendment | MSRS | 352.021, New Subd. 5 | Moves provision from M.S., Sec. 352.119, Subd. 4, for better placement. |
| 10 | 5.17 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.04, Subd. 1 | Eliminates provision requiring participation in the former MPRIF. |
| 11 | 5.25 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.04, Subd. 12 | Eliminates provision referencing the former MPRIF. |
| 12 | 6.7 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.061 | Eliminates a requirement that the plan participate in the former MPRIF. |
| 13 | 6.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.113, New Subd. 13 | Specifies eligibility for disability benefits for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 14 | 6.19 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.115, New Subd. 14 | Specifies eligibility for retirement annuities for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 15 | 6.24 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.12, New Subd. 2c | Specifies eligibility for survivor benefits for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 16 | 6.28 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.75, Subd. 3 | Eliminates obsolete 1978 MPRIF transfer requirement related to the Metropolitan Transit Commission-Transit Operating Division consolidation into MSRS-General. |
| 17 | 7.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.75, Subd. 4 | Eliminates obsolete MPRIF reserve transfer requirement for Transit Operating Division employees and specifies their eligibility for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 18 | 8.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-Correctional | 352.911, Subd. 3 | Eliminates a requirement that the plan participate in the former MPRIF. |
| 19 | 8.21 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-Correctional | 352.911, Subd. 5 | Eliminates references to the former MPRIF participation regarding fund disbursements, transfer, and appropriation. |
| 20 | 9.3 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-Correctional | 352.93, New Subd. 7 | Specifies eligibility for retirement annuities for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 21 | 9.7 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-Correctional | 352.931, New Subd. 6 | Specifies eligibility for survivor benefits for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 22 | 9.11 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-Correctional | 352.95, New Subd. 8 | Specifies eligibility for disability benefits for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 23 | 9.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.02, Subd. 1d | Eliminates a requirement for transfers to and from the former MPRIF. |
| 24 | 9.22 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.08, New Subd. 4 | Specifies eligibility for retirement annuities for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 25 | 9.26 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.10, New Subd. 6 | Specifies eligibility for disability for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |

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| 26 | 10.1 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.11, New Subd. 2e | Specifies eligibility for survivor for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 27 | 10.5 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Elected State Officers | 352C.10 | Specifies that retirement allowances and surviving spouse benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 28 | 10.11 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Unclassified | 352D.06, Subd. 1 | Requires reserves for annuities paid from the plan transfer to the MSRS-General retirement fund rather than to the MPRIF and specifies the eligibility for those annuities for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 29 | 10.20 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Unclassified | 352D.065, New Subd. 3a | Specifies that disability benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 30 | 10.24 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Unclassified | 352D.075, New Subd. 2b | Specifies that survivor benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 31 | 10.28 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.06 | Eliminates a requirement for transfers to the MPRIF and removes an obsolete reference to the former State Employees Retirement Fund. |
| 32 | 11.12 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.27, Subd. 1 | Eliminates a reference to the former MPRIF. |
| 33 | 11.20 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.29, New Subd. 9 | Specifies that annuities are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 34 | 11.24 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.31, Subd. 1b | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to the future post-retirement adjustment provision in M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 35 | 12.8 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.31, New Subd. 12 | Specifies that survivor benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 36 | 12.13 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, Subd. 3b | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to the future post-retirement adjustment provision in M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 37 | 13.12 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, Subd. 7 | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to the future post-retirement adjustment provision in M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 38 | 13.30 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, New Subd. 13 | Specifies that disability benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 39 | 14.1 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.651, New Subd. 5 | Specifies that retirement annuities are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 40 | 14.5 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.656, Subd. 5a | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to future post-retirement adjustment provision in M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 41 | 15.8 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.656, New Subd. 14 | Specifies that disability benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 42 | 15.12 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.657, Subd. 3a | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to future post-retirement adjustment provisions in M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 43 | 15.32 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.657, New Subd. 5 | Specifies that survivor benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 44 | 16.3 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.665, Subd. 3 | Eliminates obsolete references to the former MPRIF. |
| 45 | 16.16 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.02, Subd. 14 | Eliminates cross-references to the former MPRIF. |
| 46 | 16.21 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.02, Subd. 23 | Revises cross-references to the applicable post-retirement adjustment statute. |
| 47 | 16.30 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.05, Subd. 1 | Revises cross-references to the applicable post-retirement adjustment statute. |
| 48 | 18.1 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.05, Subd. 2 | Eliminates cross-references to the former MPRIF. |
| 49 | 18.20 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.08, Subd. 1 | Revises cross-references to the application post-retirement adjustment statute. |
| 50 | 19.23 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.08, Subd. 3 | Revises reference to the applicable post-retirement adjustment. |

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| 51 | 20.9 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.081, Subd. 2 | Revises reference to the applicable post-retirement adjustment. |
| 52 | 20.26 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.09, Subd. 1 | Eliminates obsolete references to the former MPRIF. |
| 53 | 21.19 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.10, Subd. 2 | Corrects cross-reference citation to conform with the repealer. |
| 54 | 21.32 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.10, Subd. 3 | Corrects cross-reference citation to conform with the repealer. |
| 55 | 22.12 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-Correctional | 353C.01, Subd. 3 | Eliminates references to the former MPRIF. |
| 56 | 22.19 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-Correctional | 353E.01, Subd. 5 | Eliminates references to the former MPRIF. |
| 57 | 23.3 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-Correctional | 353E.04, New Subd. 7 | Specifies that annuities are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 58 | 23.7 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-Correctional | 353E.06, New Subd. 9 | Specifies that disability benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 59 | 23.11 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-Correctional | 353E.07, New Subd. 8 | Specifies that survivor benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 60 | 23.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.07, Subd. 4 | Eliminates references to the former MPRIF. |
| 61 | 24.4 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.33, Subd. 5 | Revises cross-references to the applicable post-retirement adjustment statute. |
| 62 | 24.15 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.35, New Subd. 3 | Specifies that annuities are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 63 | 24.19 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.42, Subd. 1a | Eliminates a reference to the former MPRIF. |
| 64 | 25.1 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.44, New Subd. 7a | Specifies that annuities are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415 and moves originally determined annuity floor provision from M.S. 2008, Sec. 354.05, Subd. 26, proposed for repeal as generally obsolete. |
| 65 | 25.9 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.46, New Subd. 7 | Specifies that survivor benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 66 | 25.13 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.48, New Subd. 11 | Specifies that disability benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 67 | 25.17 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.55, Subd. 13 | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to future post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 68 | 25.29 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.70, Subd. 5 | Clarifies a statutory citation to the former MPRIF. |
| 69 | 27.19 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.70, Subd. 6 | Clarifies references to historic post-retirement adjustments and to future post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 70 | 28.6 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | General | 356.215, Subd. 1 | Redefines the actuarial value of assets to use a consistently applied 8.5% interest rate assumption and incorporates a five-year phase-in of market value asset recognition for the dissolved former MPRIF. |
| 71 | 33.17 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | General | 356.215, Subd. 11 | Eliminates an obsolete provision related to the former MPRIF. |
| 72 | 36.10 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | General | 356.351, Subd. 2 | Adds specific reference to the actuary to determine the appropriate annuity factor for a money purchase annuity and eliminates a reference to the former MPRIF. |
| 73 | 37.10 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | General | New 356.415 | Replaces the generally applicable post-retirement amount enacted in Laws 2008, Ch. 349, Art. 2, Sec. 1, with a permanent 2.5% annual compounding adjustment procedure for all annuities, disability benefits, and survivor benefits from the various statewide retirement plans. |
| 74 | 38.20 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Judges | 490.123, Subd. 1 | Eliminates a reference to the former MPRIF. |
| 75 | 38.30 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Judges | 490.123, Subd. 3 | Eliminates a reference to the former MPRIF. |

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| 76 | 39.7 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Judges | 490.124, New Subd. 14 | Specifies that retirement annuities, disability benefits, and survivor benefits are eligible for post-retirement adjustments under M.S., Sec. 356.415. |
| 77 | 39.13 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Repealer | Repealer | Repeals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11A.041, report on MPRIF increases • 11A.18, MPRIF • 11A.181, MPRIF dissolution • 352.119, Subd. 2, MPRIF adjustments • 352.119, Subd. 3, automatic MPRIF increases • 352.119, Subd. 4, determining applicable law • 352B.26, Subd. 1, MPRIF authorization • 352B.26, Subd. 3, MPRIF adjustments • 353.271, MPRIF authorization and adjustments • 353A.02, Subd. 20, MPRIF definition • 353A.09, Subd. 2, initial MPRIF allocation • 353A.09, Subd. 3, subsequent MPRIF transfers • 354.05, Subd. 26, MPRIF annuity definition • 354.55, Subd. 14, 1973 MPRIF adjustments • 354.63, MPRIF authorization • 356.41, non-MPRIF adjustments • 356.431, Subd. 2, lump sum conversion to MPRIF annuity • 422A.01, Subd. 13, MPRIF annuity definition • 422A.06, Subd. 4, MPRIF prohibition • 490.123, Subd. 1c, additional MPRIF employer contribution for transfer deficiencies • 490.123, Subd. 1e, MPRIF authorization |
| 78 | 39.19 | SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | Effective Date | -- | Effective July 1, 2009. |

Article 2: Disability Benefit Provision Changes

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| 1 | 39.23 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | Employee relations | 43A.34, Subd. 4 | Clarifies cross-reference to State Patrol Retirement Plan definition section. |
| 2 | 40.5 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | Public safety disabilitant health coverage | 299A.465, Subd. 1 | Includes the State Patrol Retirement Plan in the duty disabled public safety officer employer-paid health insurance coverage mandate. Provides that eligible State Patrol duty disabilitants are determined by the MSRS executive director. |
| 3 | 41.27 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.01, Subd. 2 | Corrects cross-reference to the State Patrol Retirement Plan in the MSRS-General exclusions. |
| 4 | 44.23 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.01, New Subd. 17a | A definition of "occupational disability" is added, defined as a physical or mental inability to perform the duties of a correctional employee's employment position. |
| 5 | 44.31 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.01, New Subd. 17b | A "duty disability, physical or psychological" definition is added for disabling conditions incurred during or arising out of covered correctional position normal or less-frequent duties. |
| 6 | 45.7 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.01, New Subd. 17c | A "regular disability, physical or psychological" is defined for disabling conditions incurred outside of employment or during employment duties without inherent correctional employment dangers. |
| 7 | 45.15 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.01, New Subd. 17d | A definition of "normal duties" is added, meaning duties designated in the correctional employee's job description for performance on a day-to-day basis, but excluding less frequent duties. |
| 8 | 45.22 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.01, New Subd. 17e | A definition of "less frequent duties" is added, meaning duties designated on the correctional employee's job description, but performed outside of the employee's normal routine. |
| 9 | 45.28 | SF 191 (Betzold); HF 723 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | 352.113, Subd. 4 | Extends the deadline for the filing of a disability benefit application from 180 days to 18 months. |
| 10 | 46.33 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.95, Subd. 1 | Modifies the duty disability benefit provision to utilize the new disability definitions. |
| 11 | 47.11 | SF 193 (Betzold); HF 727 (Murphy) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.95, Subd. 2 | The period of correctional employee service required for vesting for a regular disability benefit for a correctional employee first hired after 7/1/2009 is extended from one year to three years and the regular disability benefit for a correctional employee first hired after 7/1/2009 will be computed without the 15 years of assumed correctional employee service minimum applicable to current correctional employees. |
| 12 | 47.27 | SF 191 (Betzold); HF 723 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.95, Subd. 3 | Extends disability benefit application deadline to 18 months. |

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| 13 | 48.3 | SF 191 (Betzold); HF 723 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.95, Subd. 4 | Converts a disability benefit to a retirement annuity at age 55 rather than at age 65. |
| 14 | 49.5 | SF 191 (Betzold); HF 723 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.95, Subd. 5 | Converts a disability benefit to a retirement annuity at age 55 rather than at age 65. |
| 15 | 49.28 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | New 352B.011 | Recodifies and reorganizes plan definitions. |
| 16 | 52.34 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.02, Subd. 1 | Corrects cross-reference to membership definition. |
| 17 | 53.5 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | New 352B.085 | Re-enacts current M.S., Sec. 352B.01, Subd. 11, Para. (c), relating to workers' compensation benefits in average salary. |
| 18 | 53.19 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | New 352B.086 | Re-enacts current M.S., Sec. 352B.01, Subd. 3b, relating to military service leaves. |
| 19 | 54.28 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.10, Subd. 1 | Renames "injury" disability benefit as "duty disability" benefit. |
| 20 | 55.4 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.10, Subd. 2 | Renames "disabled while not on duty" disability benefit as "regular" disability benefit. |
| 21 | 55.16 | SF 191 (Betzold); HF 723 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.10, New Subd. 2a | Specifies 18-month deadline for filing disability benefit application. |
| 22 | 55.26 | SF 191 (Betzold); HF 723 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.10, Subd. 5 | Converts a disability benefit to a retirement annuity at age 55 rather than at age 65. |
| 23 | 56.7 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.11, Subd. 2 | Corrects cross-reference in surviving dependent child benefit provision. |
| 24 | 56.27 | SF 546 (Betzold); HF 726 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | Repealer | Repeals current plan definitions. |

Article 3: State Correctional Retirement Plan Membership Changes

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| 1 | 57.2 | SF 921 (Betzold); HF 1124 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Correctional | 352.91, Subd.3d | Adds the occupational position of "automotive mechanic" to covered correctional service, effective retroactive to 5/29/2007. |
| 2 | 58.13 | SF 921 (Betzold); HF 1124 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS- Correctional | Uncoded | Excludes the occupational title "automotive mechanic lead" from covered correctional service. |

Article 4: Administrative Provisions

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| 1 | 58.21 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 43A.346, Subd. 2 | Expands the PERA staff inclusion to include all state employees with PERA coverage in the Post Retirement Option. |
| 2 | 59.16 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Various plans | 43A.346, Subd. 6 | Eliminates the requirement that there be a 30-day break following termination of a Post Retirement Option position before an offer of renewal can be offered if the person is under age 62. |
| 3 | 59.30 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.02, Subd. 1a | Eliminates obsolete member contribution rate phase-in. |
| 4 | 60.8 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | State Patrol | 352B.02, Subd. 1c | Eliminates obsolete employer contribution rate phase-in. |
| 5 | 60.20 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.01, Subd. 16 | Modifies allowable service definitions by clarifying language, revising periodic, repetitive leave and USERRA-compliant service credit language to permit contributions within 30 days of termination of service rather than within 20 days, revising the USERRA-compliant service credit provision to require return to employment with the same government subdivision rather than to public service in general, and clarifies that allowable service credit includes service during a period of reduced salary during a period of workers' compensation. |
| 6 | 63.16 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.01, Subd. 16b | Disallows military service credit purchase if the service credit was purchased from another Minnesota public pension plan or if the separation from military service was other than honorable. |
| 7 | 64.7 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.0161, Subd. 1 | Amends service credit purchase provision by correcting a cross-reference. |
| 8 | 64.14 | Commission amendment related to SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) and SF 1179 (Betzold) | PERA | 353.03, Subd. 3 | Clarifies actuarial valuation funding requirements; permits PERA board to cancel accrued interest payments under \$10 if the employer has taken a credit to correct a member deduction taken in error. |
| 9 | 66.16 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.27, Subd. 2 | Revises the PERA-General employee contribution provision by removing obsolete phase-in language. |

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| 10 | 66.34 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.27, Subd. 3 | Revises the PERA-General employer contribution provision by removing obsolete phase-in language. |
| 11 | 67.16 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.), and SF 1179 (Betzold) | PERA-General | 353.27, Subd. 7 | Augments the existing erroneous receipts provision by specifying that interest will be paid to employees when excess contributions are refunded to the employee, and a statute of limitations is added as an adjustment period of the fiscal year in which the error is discovered and the prior two fiscal years unless there is evidence of fraud or abuse, in which case a longer period may apply. All returned employer contributions are without interest and will be done by a credit against future contributions. Any fees or penalties assessed by reporting eligible members and salary must be paid by the employer. |
| 12 | 69.33 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.27, Subd. 7b | The overpayment recovery provision is revised by providing that when a benefit overpayment results from an overpayment of contributions, the amount of the benefit overpayment recapture must be netted against the refund of the contributions. |
| 13 | 70.28 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, Subd. 1 | Revises the PERA-General disability eligibility provision by clarifying that basic member disability benefit eligibility ends at normal retirement age. |
| 14 | 71.4 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, New Subd. 1a | Adds a new subdivision to the PERA-General disability provision, (containing language from another subdivision) clarifying that no PERA-General member can receive a disability benefit and a retirement benefit at the same time. |
| 15 | 71.9 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, Subd. 11 | Revises the PERA-General coordinated member disabilitant-transfer-to-retirement provision by moving language to another subdivision and revising the subdivision title. |
| 16 | 71.29 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.33, Subd. 12 | Revises the PERA-General basic member disability and disabilitant survivor benefit provision by clarifying language and by specifying that the disability benefit converts to a retirement benefit at normal retirement age. |
| 17 | 72.22 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.65, Subd. 2 | Removes obsolete phase-in language in the PERA-P&F employee contribution provision. |
| 18 | 72.33 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-P&F | 353.65, Subd. 3 | Removes obsolete phase-in language in the PERA-P&F employer contribution provision. |
| 19 | 73.10 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | PERA Local Relief Assoc. Consolid. | 353A.08, Subd. 6a | Corrects a cross-reference in a PERA consolidation account military service credit purchase provision. |
| 20 | 73.28 | Commission Amendment LCPR09-01A | PERA Privatization | 353F.02, Subd. 4 | Adds Weiner Memorial Medical Center to definition of "medical facility" covered by special benefit provisions. |
| 21 | 74.18 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.05, New Subd. 42 | Adds a subdivision defining annual base salary for purposes of computing TRA service credit. |
| 22 | 74.23 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.42, Subd. 2 | Simplifies language in the TRA employee contribution provision. |
| 23 | 75.5 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.44, Subd. 4 | Revises the annuity accrual date provision by permitting annuities to accrue as early as the day after termination rather than on the 16 th of the month after application for retirement if application is made before the 15 th or on the first of the following month if application is made after the 16 th of the month. |
| 24 | 76.2 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.44, Subd. 5 | Revises TRA's reemployed annuitant exempt earnings provision by comparing salary to exempt earnings limits on a fiscal year rather than calendar year basis. |
| 25 | 76.28 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.47, Subd. 1 | Revises TRA's death refund provision by specifying that any permanent disability benefits received by the member prior to death must be subtracted from any death refund to heirs otherwise payable following the member's death. |
| 26 | 77.17 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.48, Subd. 4 | Revises a TRA disability determination provision requiring the TRA executive director to have disability applicants examined by at least two medical practitioners selected by the TRA medical advisor by removing redundant language stating that the practitioners must be selected by the medical advisor. |
| 27 | 78.2 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.48, Subd. 6 | Allows the TRA executive director to waive periodic disabilitant physical examinations. |
| 28 | 78.16 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.49, Subd. 2 | Revises the primary TRA refund provision by specifying that any permanent disability benefits received by the member must be subtracted from any refund otherwise payable to the terminated employee. |

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| 29 | 78.27 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.52, Subd. 2a | Revises a provision requiring employers to report annually on post-retirement income of its employees by indicating that post-retirement income reporting will now occur through the regular payroll cycle reporting. |
| 30 | 79.6 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.52, Subd. 4b | Revises a TRA payroll cycle reporting requirement provision by adding a requirement that employing units must report the post-retirement salary earned by TRA annuitants who provide teaching service, and by striking the requirement that the employing unit compute service credit for its members. |
| 31 | 79.27 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | New 354.543 | Creates a TRA military service credit purchase at full actuarial value provision that permits a vested TRA member who performed military service before becoming a TRA member, or who had a break in TRA service to provide military service but who failed to purchase service credit in the plan in a timely manner under the more favorable TRA USERRA-compliant military service purchase provision, to purchase TRA service credit at full actuarial value for the initial period of enlistment, induction, or call to active duty without voluntary extension. Purchases are permitted if the individual has not purchased service credit for that military service period in any other Minnesota defined benefit plan. Payment must be made prior to the termination of teaching service |
| 32 | 80.21 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 354.55, Subd. 11 | Revises the TRA deferred annuity augmentation provision by removing obsolete/incorrect references, and clarifies the provision. |
| 33 | 82.18 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.096 | Corrects a cross-reference in the first class city teacher plan medical leave provision. |
| 34 | 83.7 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, Subd. 2a | Removes obsolete phase-in language and erroneous Social Security language in the first class city teacher plan employer regular contributions and additional contribution provision. |
| 35 | 84.10 | Commission Amendment S0191-21A, related to SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) and SF 1179 (Betzold) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 6 | Adds a new subdivision creating an erroneous salary deduction/direct payment provision. |
| 36 | 85.1 | Commission Amendment S0191-21A | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 7 | Adds a new subdivision providing for the recovery of benefit overpayments based on invalid service or salary credit or an erroneous calculation procedure. |
| 37 | 85.34 | Commission Amendment S0191-21A | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 8 | Adds a new subdivision specifying additional procedures and limitations on the correction of erroneous deductions and contributions. |
| 38 | 86.17 | Commission Amendment S0191-21A | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 9 | Specifies employer responsibility for any federal IRS fees or penalties related to erroneous membership or salary reporting. |
| 39 | 86.24 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.36, Subd. 6 | Allows a first class city teacher retirement fund association executive director to waive periodic disabilitant physical examinations. |
| 40 | 87.20 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.401, Subd. 2 | Revises automatic deposit authority provision by placing restrictions on deposits to joint or multi-party accounts. Direct deposit to joint accounts may only be made if the benefit recipient consents in writing to authorize the financial institution to release to the pension fund the names and addresses of joint owners of the account. If there is an overpayment to the account following the death of the annuitant, the pension plan can issue an administrative subpoena ordering the financial institution to disclose the account co-owners and all deposits and withdrawals from the account which occur after the annuitant's death. |
| 41 | 88.7 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.465, Subd. 1 | Amends the authority for retiring plan members to name a supplemental needs trust to the second half of a joint-and-survivor annuity to clarify that this provision does not take precedence over the mandatory spousal joint-and-survivor provision enacted in 2008. |
| 42 | 88.15 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | TRA | 356.465, New Subd. 4 | Expands the authority to designate a supplemental needs trust as the second recipient of a joint-and-survivor optional annuity form to include an active, disabled, or deferred TRA member. |
| 43 | 88.23 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.611, Subd. 3 | Revises the federal compliance maximum benefit limitation provision to indicate that the maximum must be increased for cost of living increases after termination of service, and eliminates obsolete language. |
| 44 | 89.2 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.611, Subd. 4 | Amends the federal compliance definition of compensation provision by clarifying items included and excluded from the determination of compensation. |

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| 45 | 89.16 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.635, Subd. 6 | Revises a federal compliance provision list of eligible plans to receive rollovers to include, for rollovers to a non-spousal beneficiary, an account or annuity treated as an inherited IRA under Sec. 402(c)(11) of the Internal Revenue Code. |
| 46 | 90.6 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.635, Subd. 7 | Revises a federal compliance provision definition of distributee to include a non-spouse beneficiary who qualifies for a distribution under the plan and is a designated beneficiary under Sec. 401(a)(9)(E) of the Internal Revenue Code. |
| 47 | 90.18 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Retirement, generally | 356.96, Subd. 5 | Adds language to the major plan appeal procedure petition for review provision permitting an executive director to require the applicant to participate in a fact-finding session conducted by an administrative law judge assigned by the Office of Administrative Hearings, and, if applicable, to take part in a vocational assessment. |
| 48 | 91.1 | SF 1625 (Skoe); HF 1923 (Sailer) | PERA Privatization | Laws 2006, Ch. 271, Art.5, Sec. 5 | Extends the privatization election for the Clearwater County Hospital from January 1, 2009, to January 1, 2010. |
| 49 | 92.10 | Commission Amendment S0191-20A, related to SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) and SF 1179 (Betzold) | PERA | Uncoded | Special erroneous member deduction correction provision for the City of Duluth and for the Duluth Airport Authority, with local approval. |
| 50 | 94.10 | Commission Amendment S0191-20A | PERA | Uncoded | Permits election of statute of limitations length on erroneous receipt and disbursement corrections for existing errors. |
| 51 | 94.25 | SF 578 (Betzold); HF 1123 (Murphy, M.) | Repealer | Repealer | Repeals M.S., Sec. 354.06, Subd. 6, the TRA board provision definition of fiscal year and moves it to the TRA definition section; and repeals M.S., Sec. 354.55, Subd. 14, an obsolete TRA annuity increase provision. |

Article 5: Local Government Post Retirement Option Program

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| 1 | 94.31 | SF 749 (Betzold); HF 950 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | 353.01, Subd. 11b | Includes participants in the post-retirement option in the definition of "termination of membership." |
| 2 | 95.15 | SF 749 (Betzold); HF 950 (Murphy, M.) | PERA-General | New 353.371 | Permits employees covered by PERA-General other than PERA staff and PERA-covered state employees, who are at least age 62 and immediately eligible to draw a PERA retirement annuity, to terminate employment and be immediately rehired in a position which is at least a 25% reduction from previous hours and is no more than half-time at the discretion of the governing body of the employing unit, and exempt from the reemployed annuitant earnings limitations. The program expires 6/30/2011. |

Article 6: Teacher Retirement Benefit and Funding Changes

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| 1 | 97.3 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA, First class city teacher plans | 127A.50, Subd. 1 | Starting in fiscal year 2012, state aid payments to school operating funds are increased by a total of 2% of fiscal year 2012 covered salaries, in four equal 0.5% of salary increments, for employing units qualified to receive state aid and covered by TRA, DTRFA, and SPTRFA. |
| 2 | 97.30 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.05, Subd. 38 | Redefines "normal retirement age" as age 65 or age 62 with 30 years of service. |
| 3 | 98.5 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.42, Subd. 2 | Increases the coordinated program member contribution rates from 5.5% to 7.5% of covered salary beginning in 2011. |
| 4 | 99.1 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.42, Subd. 3 | Increases the coordinated program employer contribution rates from 5.5% to 7.5% of covered salary, beginning in 2011. |
| 5 | 100.12 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.42, New Subd. 4b | Specifies the process for determining whether or not TRA has a contribution sufficiency or deficiency. |
| 6 | 100.29 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.42, New Subd. 4c | Authorizes the TRA board of trustees to adjust member and employer contributions by 0.25% of covered salary per year to address a contribution deficiency or sufficiency. |
| 7 | 101.12 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.42, New Subd. 4 | Provides for LCPR review and modification in any proposed member or employer contribution rate change. |
| 8 | 101.34 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA | 354.44, Subd. 6 | Increases the benefit accrual formula percentage rate for TRA for post-2011 service credit for the uniformity tier of benefits from 1.9% per year to 2.1% per year. |
| 9 | 104.12 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.011, Subd. 15a | Redefines "normal retirement age" as age 65 or age 62 with 30 years of service. |
| 10 | 104.31 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, Subd. 1 | Increases the coordinated program member contribution rates from 5.5% to 7.5% of covered salary, beginning in 2011. |

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| 11 | 105.36 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, Subd. 2a | Increases the coordinated program regular employer contribution rates from 5.5% to 7.5% of covered salary beginning in 2011. |
| 12 | 107.22 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 4a | Specifies the process for determining whether or not the retirement plan has a contribution sufficiency/deficiency. |
| 13 | 108.3 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 4b | Authorizes a retirement board of trustees to adjust member and employer contributions by 0.25% of covered pay per year to address a contribution deficiency/sufficiency. |
| 14 | 108.19 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.12, New Subd. 4C | Provides for LCPR review and modification in any proposed member or employer contribution rate change. |
| 15 | 109.9 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | SPTRFA | 354A.31, Subd. 4 | Increases the benefit accrual rates for the "Rule of 90" tier from 1.2% of covered salary per year for service less than 11 years and 1.7% of covered salary per year for service in excess of ten years to 1.4% and 1.9%, respectively, for service rendered after June 30, 2011, and for the "level benefit" tier from 1.7% to 2.1% of covered salary per year of service for service after June 30, 2011. |
| 16 | 110.13 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | DTRFA | 354A.31, Subd. 4a | Increases the benefit accrual rates for the "Rule of 90" tier from 1.2% of covered salary per year for service less than 11 years and 1.7% of covered salary per year for service in excess of ten years to 1.4% and 1.9%, respectively, for service rendered after June 30, 2011, and for the "level benefit" tier from 1.7% to 2.1% of covered salary per year of service for service after June 30, 2011. |
| 17 | 111.20 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | First class city teacher plans | 354A.31, Subd. 7 | Clarifies that no actuarial reduction for early retirement applies to retirements under age 62 if the member has 30 years of service. |
| 18 | 112.6 | SF 506 (Betzold, by request) HF 592 (Thissen) | TRA, First class city teacher plans | 356.315, New Subd. 2c | Provides a 2.1% of covered salary benefit accrual rate for certain coordinated program members. |

Article 7: MnSCU Related Retirement Provisions

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| 1 | 112.13 | SF 1266 (Pappas): HF 1527 (Kahn) | MnSCU | New 136F.481 | Authorizes the MnSCU board of trustees to establish an early separation incentive program consisting of either cash incentives, employer contributions to the MSRS post-retirement health savings plan, or a combination of the two, and permits the incentives to be offered by the MnSCU Chancellor or by MnSCU college or university presidents to personnel consistent with board of trustee established eligibility requirements, with the cost of the incentives to be borne by the system office or by the applicable college or university, whichever applies, and which would sunset after five years. |
| 2 | 113.27 | SF 1266 (Pappas): HF 1527 (Kahn) | MnSCU | New 136F.482 | Exempts MnSCU early retirement incentive implementation from the Public Employees Labor Relations Act. |
| 3 | 113.33 | SF 1267 (Olson, M.): HF 1528 (Kahn) | MnSCU | 354B.21, Subd. 2 | Allows post-June 2009 MnSCU faculty members to elect TRA retirement coverage rather than MnSCU-IRAP coverage within one year of reaching tenure, with a purchase of all pre-retirement coverage election service credit at full actuarial value. |

Article 8: St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association Post-Retirement Adjustments

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| 1 | 115.10 | SF 686 (Pappas) | SPTRFA | 354A.29, Subd. 3 | Replaces the current 2% automatic annual post-retirement adjustment with a federal Bureau of Labor Statistics CPI-based adjustment, capped at 5%. |
| 2 | 116.9 | SF 686 (Pappas) | SPTRFA | Uncoded | Authorizes appropriate bylaw amendment. |
| 3 | 116.13 | SF 686 (Pappas) | SPTRFA | Repealer | Repeals the current investment-performance-based post-retirement adjustment mechanism. |
| 4 | 116.15 | SF 686 (Pappas) | SPTRFA | Effective Date | Effective January 1, 2010, and expires June 30, 2011. |

Article 9: Local Police and Fire Relief Association Changes

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| 1 | 116.20 | SF 1191 (Rosen); HF 1383 (Gunther) | Fairmont Police | 69.77, Subd. 4 | Extends the amortization date from 2010 to 2020 with local approval. |
| 2 | 118.25 | SF 1878 (Betzold); HF 1983 (Kahn) | Minneapolis Fire | 423C.03, Subd. 1 | Permits the relief association to reduce the size of its board of trustees through bylaw amendment. |

Article 10: Voluntary Statewide Lump-Sum Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan

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| 1 | 119.2 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | State Board of Investment | 11A.17, Subd. 1 | Creates an eighth account within the supplemental investment fund for investment of the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan and also available for various VFRAs. Adds to head note a more accurate reflection of contents. |
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| 2 | 119.12 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | State Board of Investment | 11A.17, Subd. 2 | Provides for the investment of the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan in the supplemental investment fund and requires plan investments in the special statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter account. |
| 3 | 119.25 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.011, Subd. 1 | Defines the term "voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan" for the fire state aid program. |
| 4 | 121.26 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.011, Subd. 2 | Provides that for municipalities participating in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan, the PERA executive director will certify the existence of that retirement coverage for each municipality, with the applicable municipal clerk and fire chief responsible for certifying fire personnel and fire department equipment. |
| 5 | 122.33 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.011, Subd. 4 | Clarifies that municipalities with firefighters covered by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan are subject to the same fire department personnel/equipment requirements as applicable to other municipalities and fire departments. |
| 6 | 123.24 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.011, Subd. 7 | Provides that municipalities participating in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan are eligible for a minimum fire state aid allocation based on the number of firefighters (up to 30) applicable to the municipality, and provides for the payment of fire state aid for municipalities participating in the voluntary statewide plan to the statewide plan and credited to the municipality. |
| 7 | 125.22 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.021, Subd. 9 | Includes the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan in the entities entitled to appeal state aid apportionments. |
| 8 | 125.30 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.031, Subd. 1 | Provides for the issuance of warrants to PERA for fire state aid payable with respect to participants in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan. |
| 9 | 126.8 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Fire State Aid | 69.031, Subd. 5 | Provides for the deposit of fire state aid directly to the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan to the credit of the applicable municipality. |
| 10 | 128.16 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.01 | Defines the terms advisory board, board, commissioner of finance, executive director, fund, good time service credit, member, municipality, plan, retirement fund, retirement plan, standards for actuarial work, State Board of Investment, and volunteer firefighter. Good time service credit means the length of service credit for an active firefighter as reported by the respective fire chief based on the minimum firefighter activity standards of the fire department, either monthly or annually. Member is a volunteer firefighter who provides active service to a fire department where coverage by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan has been elected and where the service is covered by the retirement plan. Volunteer firefighter means a person who is an active department member and, in that capacity, engages in fire suppression, emergency response, fire education, or fire prevention on an on-call basis. |
| 11 | 129.22 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.02 | Creates the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan and fund, administered by PERA, invested by the SBI, audited by the Legislative Auditor, and represented by the Attorney General. |
| 12 | 130.29 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.03 | Creates an advisory board to advise the PERA board about the retirement coverage needs of and accommodations for volunteer firefighters. The advisory board consists of a Minnesota Association of Townships appointee, two League of Minnesota Cities appointees, a Minnesota State Fire Chiefs Association appointee, two Minnesota State Fire Departments Association appointees, and an Office of the State Auditor representative. The terms of the appointees are staggered and, after the initial set of appointments, are for three years. The compensation of advisory board members is governed under the state advisory panel provisions. |
| 13 | 131.27 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.04 | Requires municipal and fire department chief executive officers to provide all relevant information and records requested by the PERA board or executive director or the SBI. |
| 14 | 131.33 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.05 | Allows municipalities and independent nonprofit firefighting corporations to elect to have coverage for their volunteer firefighters provided by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan. The process is initiated jointly by a cost analysis request by the chief administrative officer of the municipality and the volunteer firefighters' relief association (VFRA) secretary if the volunteer firefighters are covered by a VFRA, or a request from the chief administrative officer of the entity operating the fire depart- |

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| | | | | | ment if no VFRA exists. The cost analysis would be based on the service pension level closest to the service pension amount provided by the VFRA, rounded up, if there is a VFRA, or the lowest service pension level if there is no VFRA, and any other potential service pension levels designated in the request and would be prepared using a mathematical procedure established by the consulting actuary retained by PERA. The cost analysis will be based on the financial and demographic information available from the State Auditor if there is a VFRA or supplied by the chief administrative officer of the entity operating the fire department. The cost analysis request also triggers a review by SBI for conformity with M.S., Ch. 11A, and for compliance with board investment policy. Once a cost analysis is provided, the municipality or independent nonprofit firefighting corporation has 90 days to approve or disapprove the retirement coverage change. If approved, the retirement coverage change is effective on the next following January 1. |
| 15 | 133.21 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.06 | If a retirement coverage change to the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan is approved, the special fund of the applicable VFRA ceases to exist on the December 31 before the coverage change and legal title to the special fund transfers to the State Board of Investment, with beneficial title to those assets remaining with the applicable volunteer firefighters. If the asset value declines in the interval before the transfer of title, the applicable municipality must transfer an amount equal to the investment loss. After the retirement coverage change, the VFRA may continue as a fraternal entity with a board of trustees of five (fire chief plus four elected active firefighters), but may only maintain a general fund, may not receive any municipal funds or state aid, and may not pay any retirement benefit not authorized for the general fund before the coverage change process began. The statewide plan becomes the successor in interest to the prior VFRA special fund for all claims except for fiduciary actions not taken in good faith and constituting a breach. |
| 16 | 134.33 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.07 | Good time service credit by active firefighters is certified by the applicable fire chief annually by March 31. Active firefighters must be notified of their good time service credit determination by the fire chief, which the firefighter can challenge at a public hearing with the fire chief. If the fire chief's final determination is contested by the firefighter, it is not reviewable by PERA. The good time certification is a public document and a false certification or the provision of false information in connection with the certification has the same penalty as the provision of false information to PERA under M.S., Sec. 353.19. The good time certification is a percentage of a full year that represents the portion of a year undertaking firefighter activities, up to 100% in a calendar year. If a firefighter renders military service under USERRA, the person receives a full year of good time service credit unless the person does not return to firefighting service in a timely fashion, whereupon the good time credit cancels. |
| 17 | 135.34 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.08 | The funding requirements of each volunteer firefighter account in the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement fund will be determined annually by PERA, consisting of the account's annual accruing liability, the proportional portion of the plan's administrative expenses, and the account's amortization contribution, set at one-tenth of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the account and allows credits against a funding surplus with three years of funding surpluses. The required contribution of the entity associated with the covered fire department is the amount of the funding requirements in excess of the most recent fire state aid amount attributable to the fire department. Unpaid required contributions are subject to the regular collection procedures of the PERA. |
| 18 | 137.35 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.09 | Volunteer firefighters who separate from active fire department service for at least 30 days, are at least age 50, and have at least five years of good time service credit may apply for a benefit. Firefighters are partially vested for a service pension with five years of good time service credit and are fully vested for a service pension with at least 20 years of good time service credit. For plan members who retire before rendering at least five years of service under the statewide plan, a service pension at the cost benefit level of the prior volunteer fire relief association is payable as an alternative. |
| 19 | 139.12 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.10 | Volunteer firefighters who otherwise qualify for a service pension but who are under age 50 when terminating active fire department service are entitled to a deferred service pension, based on the service pension vesting schedule, and payable without any interest over the deferral period. |

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| 20 | 139.21 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.11 | The retirement plan will offer 16 levels of service pension, from a low of \$500 to a high of \$7,500 per year of good time service credit. Annually, after obtaining a cost estimate from PERA for a new service pension level, the governing body of the entity operating the fire department may approve the selection of a higher service pension level. Retiring volunteer firefighters also qualify for the 1988 state supplemental lump-sum benefit. The voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan does not pay any ancillary benefits other than a survivor benefit. |
| 21 | 140.18 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.12 | If an active or deferred member of the plan dies before receiving a service pension from the plan, the survivor of the member is entitled to receive a survivor benefit equal to the service pension that would have been payable to the member at age 50. |
| 22 | 140.27 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.13 | A volunteer firefighter with two or more periods of firefighting service covered by the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan totaling at least five years of good time service credit is eligible to receive a combined service pension based on all periods, with the total benefit amount consisting of the service pension levels for the applicable lengths of service. |
| 23 | 141.10 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.14 | In lieu of direct receipt of a lump-sum service pension, a retiring volunteer firefighter may request that the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan purchase an annuity contract from an insurance company so long as the insurance company is licensed to do business in Minnesota and the initial annuity payments do not begin before age 50. |
| 24 | 141.20 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.15 | In lieu of direct receipt of a lump-sum service pension, a retiring volunteer firefighter who is at least age 50 may elect to have the service pension amount transferred on an institution-to-institution basis to an individual retirement account. |
| 25 | 141.31 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | New 353G.16 | The voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan is covered by the general provision exempting retirement funds from garnishment, attachment, and other legal process. |
| 26 | 142.1 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | 356.20, Subd. 2 | Adds the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan to the list of retirement plans covered by the annual public pension plan financial reporting requirement. |
| 27 | 142.27 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | 356.401, Subd. 3 | Adds the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan to the general exemption from legal process provision. |
| 28 | 143.27 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | 356.96, Subd. 1 | Includes the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan to the covered pension plan designation for the general pension plan appeal procedure provision. |
| 29 | 144.10 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | 424A.10, Subd. 1 | Augments the definition of "qualified recipient" for the 1988 state supplemental lump-sum volunteer firefighter benefit by including service pension recipients from the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan. |
| 30 | 144.30 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | 424A.10, Subd. 2 | Includes the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan service pension recipients in the 1988 state supplemental benefit payment provision. |
| 31 | 145.21 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | Statewide Volunteer Fire Plan | 424A.10, Subd. 3 | Includes the voluntary statewide lump-sum volunteer firefighter retirement plan in the 1988 state supplemental benefit state reimbursement provision. |
| 32 | 146.13 | SF 504 (Betzold); HF 825 (Murphy, M.) | -- | Effective Date | The proposed legislation is effective on August 1, 2009. |

Article 11: Volunteer Fire Relief Association Changes

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| 1 | 146.17 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 69.031, Subd. 5 | Permits the payment of PERA-P&F employer contributions for paid firefighters from fire state aid allocations if the municipality has no volunteer firefighters' relief association. |
| 2 | 148.19 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 69.771, Subd. 3 | Amends volunteer firefighters' relief association (VFRA) compliance requirements for fire state aid qualification to add defined benefit relief associations with respect to municipal approval by by-law amendments requirement and to correct cross-reference to prohibited transaction provision. |
| 3 | 150.20 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 69.772, Subd. 4 | Sets a March 31 or June 30 due date for lump-sum VFRA schedules and forms filed with the Office of the State Auditor. |

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| 4 | 151.19 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 69.772, Subd. 6 | Clarifies that the trigger for lump-sum VFRA s to exercise their power to implement a service pension increase without municipal approval is based on the special fund funded ratio reported in the prior year. |
| 5 | 152.19 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 69.773, Subd. 6 | Clarifies that the trigger for a monthly benefit VFRA to exercise its power to implement a service pension increase without municipal approval is based on the special fund funded ratio reported in the prior year. |
| 6 | 153.16 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 356.219, Subd. 3 | Corrects a reference to the name of the CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) Institute in a pension plan investment reporting provision. |
| 7 | 155.16 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | New 420.20 | Moves the fire department minor employment permit to serve as firefighter prohibition to a more appropriate statutory chapter. Creates an exception to the prohibition for minors participating in fire department activities for activities with uninterrupted adult supervision as part of a youth, civic, or educational organization or program. |
| 8 | 155.26 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 1 | Adds a common general exception to definitions introduction that definition does not apply if the context clearly indicates otherwise. |
| 9 | 155.30 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 1a | Clarifies that the definition of "ancillary benefit," applicable for a later limitation, only applies to non-service pensions payable from the special fund. |
| 10 | 156.5 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, New Subd. 1b | Adds a definition of "defined benefit relief association," meaning a relief association that pays a lump-sum service pension, a monthly benefit service pension, or both alternatively. |
| 11 | 156.12 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, New Subd. 1c | Adds a definition of "defined contribution relief association," meaning a relief association that pays a service pension based solely on an individual account balance. |
| 12 | 156.19 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 2 | Adds appropriate articles before references to "municipal fire department" or "independent nonprofit firefighting corporations" in definition of "fire department." |
| 13 | 156.23 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 3 | Adds establishment or contract execution references in definition of "municipality." |
| 14 | 156.29 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 4 | Modifies "relief association" definition stylistically to replace lettered divisions with numbered divisions and improves language usage by replacing gerunds with appropriate verb form. |
| 15 | 157.15 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 5 | Adds the appropriate article before a reference to "special fund" in the definition of "special fund." |
| 16 | 157.20 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 6 | Modifies the "surviving spouse" definition to eliminate an unnecessary comma and an unnecessary reference to "the term," repositions the reference to "governing" and clarifies that the time of death confirming status is the death of the member. |
| 17 | 157.26 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 8 | Modifies the definition of "firefighting service" by adding a reference to "applicable" to the municipal approval requirement for independent nonprofit firefighting corporations and by adding a reference to "fire department" for fire prevention service. |
| 18 | 158.2 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 9 | Modifies the definition of "separation from active service" by adding "firefighter" as the subject of the sentence and replacing the string of infinitives with active tense verbs. |
| 19 | 158.9 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.001, Subd. 10 | Modifies the definition of "volunteer firefighter" by clarifying that the membership requirements are alternative requirements and by adding "independent nonprofit" references to "firefighting corporation" references. |
| 20 | 158.26 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | New 424A.002 | Authorizes the creation of new VFRAs or the continuation of existing VFRAs, and requires that VFRA bylaws or articles of incorporation specify whether the relief association is a defined benefit relief association or a defined contribution relief association. |
| 21 | 159.7 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.01 | Revises subdivision to prohibit minors from being VFRA members, to conform with the relocation of the restriction on minors as firefighters. Modifies the restrictions on volunteer firefighters and VFRA membership by adding some explicit parallel verb references and by eliminating obsolete words and phrases to conform with current drafting and language usage conventions. |

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| 22 | 162.5 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | New 424A.015 | Adds a section that sets forth the provisions that are generally applicable to VFRAs and that are moved from current M.S., Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 1, Para. (d), and Subd. 6 (required separation from active service and exception and restriction on assignment or garnishment), Subd. 8a (purchase of annuity contract), and Subd. 8b (transfer to an individual retirement account). |
| 23 | 163.12 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | New 424A.016 | Adds a section that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Specifically authorizes defined contribution lump-sum service pension relief associations (Subd. 1); 2. Repeats the service pension eligibility requirements from the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 1, that are applicable to defined contribution relief associations (Subd. 2); 3. Transfers the defined contribution relief association vesting schedule from the last portion of current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 2 (Subd. 3); 4. Transfers the defined contribution relief association individual account provisions from the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 4 (Subd. 4); 5. Adapts for defined contribution relief associations the installment payment authority of the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 8 (Subd. 5); 6. Transfers the defined contribution relief association deferred service pension provision from the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 7 (Subd. 6); 7. Adapts the limitation on ancillary benefits of the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 9, for defined contribution relief associations (Subd. 7); 8. Adapts the penalty for the payment of service pension without actual active service separation of the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 9b, for defined contribution relief associations (Subd. 8); and 9. Adapts the bylaw amendment filing requirement of the current Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 10, for defined contribution relief associations (Subd. 9). |
| 24 | 167.6 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 1 | Amends the defined benefit service pension authorization provision by clarifying that the entire section and the subdivision apply solely to defined benefit relief associations, clarifies that defined benefit service pensions must be earned under M.S., Ch. 424A, under the relief association articles of incorporation, and under the relief association bylaws, and clarifies the time test on inactive relief association membership for recently established relief associations. VFRAs are permitted to define in their bylaws a "month" for monthly service crediting programs, with a minimum of 16 days to constitute a month and a default definition of month as a completed calendar month measured from the entry anniversary date to the same day of the next month. |
| 25 | 168.22 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 2 | Amends the vesting requirement provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and by striking the defined contribution vesting provision transferred to new Sec. 424A.16. |
| 26 | 169.30 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 3 | Amends the flexible service pension maximums by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and updates the provision to conform to the current language usage conventions. Incorporates the uniformity previously included in M.S., Sec. 424A.02, Subd. 6, repealed to be divided into other sections. |
| 27 | 176.36 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 3a | Amends the excess service pension payment penalty by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations. Transfers the onus for the collection of overpaid deferred benefit service pension amounts from the Office of the State Auditor to the VFRA treasurer upon receipt of an order from the State Auditor. |
| 28 | 177.30 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 7 | Amends the deferred service pension provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations, clarifies that the specified qualifying service periods were alternative provisions and re-letters later paragraphs with the elimination of the defined contribution relief association provision moved to new Sec. 424A.016. |
| 29 | 179.8 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 8 | Amends the lump-sum service pension installment payment provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations, updates the provision to conform to the current language usage conventions, and replaces outdated references to the Commissioner of Commerce with references to the State Auditor with respect to promulgating installment payment liability calculation procedures and tables. Extends the authority to make installment payments from service pensions |

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| | | | | | to include survivor benefits and simplifies the manner in which installment payments are to be calculated. |
| 30 | 179.32 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 9 | Amends the ancillary benefit limitation provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations. |
| 31 | 180.30 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 9a | Amends the postretirement increase provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and updates the provision to conform to the current language usage conventions. |
| 32 | 181.8 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 9b | Amends the service pension repayment provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and updates the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 33 | 181.17 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 10 | Amends the bylaw amendment local approval and filing requirement by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and updates the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. Clarifies that the trigger for VFRAs to exercise their power to implement a service pension increase without municipal approval is based on the special fund funded ratio reported in the prior year. |
| 34 | 182.28 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 12 | Amends the new fire district service credit transfer provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and updates the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 35 | 183.4 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.02, Subd. 13 | Amends the combined service pension provision by clarifying that the provision applies to defined benefit relief associations and updates the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 36 | 183.24 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.021 | Amends the uniformed service break-in-service provision by clarifying that defined contribution relief associations providing break-in-service coverage is special fund revenue allocation and not solely special fund investment return allocation. |
| 37 | 184.16 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.03 | Amends the partially paid and partially VFRA uniformity provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 38 | 185.7 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.04 | Amends the VFRA board of trustees provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions and transfers the former prohibited transaction restriction of the current M.S., Sec. 424A.001, Subd. 7, to this section. Clarifies the municipal representatives on the board of a VFRA associated with a joint powers board, a township, or an unorganized territory. |
| 39 | 187.25 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.05, Subd. 1 | Amends the VFRA special fund provision establishment provision by adding a reference to "volunteer firefighters" to a relief association reference. |
| 40 | 187.29 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.05, Subd. 2 | Amends the VFRA special fund asset and revenue provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 41 | 188.12 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.05, Subd. 3 | Amends the VFRA special fund disbursement provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. Separates out the Minnesota State Fire Department Association (MSFDA) or Minnesota Area Relief Association Coalition (MARAC) dues from state Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Association (VFBA) premiums, permits the purchase of casualty insurance from a licensed insurance company instead of the VFBA, and limits the current restriction on designated beneficiaries to natural persons to monthly benefit VFRAs and permits trusts under M.S., Ch. 501B, to be a designated beneficiary for defined contribution VFRAs, lump-sum volunteer fire relief associations, and combination volunteer fire relief associations where a lump-sum service pension or benefit is payable. |
| 42 | 189.11 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.05, Subd. 4 | Amends the VFRA special fund investment provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 43 | 189.15 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.06 | Amends the VFRA general fund provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 44 | 190.4 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.07 | Amends the nonprofit firefighting corporation relief association establishment provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |

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| 45 | 190.12 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.08 | Amends the provision governing the use of fire state aid by municipalities without relief associations to update the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. Permits municipalities with a VFRA to use fire state aid to pay the employer contributions to the PERA-P&F for any paid firefighters. |
| 46 | 191.4 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.10, Subd. 1 | Amends the state volunteer firefighters' lump-sum supplemental benefit definitions provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. Aligns the definition of surviving spouse or surviving child for the mandated supplemental lump-sum volunteer firefighter benefit with the definitions for the balance of M.S., Ch. 424A. |
| 47 | 191.23 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.10, Subd. 2 | Amends the state volunteer firefighters' lump-sum supplemental benefit payment of supplement benefit provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 48 | 192.12 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.10, Subd. 3 | Amends the state volunteer firefighters' lump-sum supplemental benefit state reimbursement provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 49 | 193.2 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.10, Subd. 4 | Amends the state volunteer firefighters' lump-sum supplemental benefit in lieu of income tax exclusion provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 50 | 193.12 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424A.10, Subd. 5 | Amends the state volunteer firefighters' lump-sum supplemental benefit retroactive reimbursement provision by updating the provision to conform to current language usage conventions. |
| 51 | 193.19 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424B.10, New Subd. 1a | Amends the consolidating VFRA benefits and funding provision to clarify that the provision applies to situations where all relief associations are defined benefit relief associations. |
| 52 | 193.25 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424B.10 New Subd. 1b | Replicates existing M.S., Sec. 424B.10, Subd. 1, proposed for repeal, as new subdivisions with a specification that a consolidation of two defined benefit relief associations must produce a defined benefit relief association as a successor. |
| 53 | 194.18 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424B.10, Subd. 2 | Updates the provision to conform with current language usage conventions. |
| 54 | 195.1 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | New 424B.11 | Adds a benefits and funding provision for consolidations where all relief associations are defined contribution relief associations, adapting the regulation contained in current M.S., Sec. 424B.10. |
| 55 | 195.23 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | New 424B.12 | Adds a benefits and funding provision for consolidations where the relief associations include both defined benefit and defined contribution relief associations, adapting the regulation contained in current M.S., Sec. 424B.10. |
| 56 | 196.8 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | VFRAs | 424B.21 | Amends VFRA dissolution annuity purchase authority provision by correcting cross-references for annuity contract authority and minimum retirement age provisions. |
| 57 | 196.20 | SF 557 (Bakk); HF 732 (Dill) | Brimson Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association | Local Law | Authorizes the Brimson Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association to utilize a board of trustees of 10 members rather than the statutory number of nine members. |
| 58 | 196.31 | SF 1001 (Betzold); HF 1129 (Murphy, M.) | Repealer | Repealer | Six current statutory provisions are repealed for purposes of transfer to a different position as part of the recodification and one current statutory provision is repealed as an obsolete transition provision from 1979. The recodification provisions are M.S., Sections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 424A.001, Subd. 7; Prohibited Transactions, moved to 424A.04 • 424A.02, Subd. 4; Defined Contribution Service Pensions, moved to new 424A.017 • 424A.02, Subd. 6; Service Pension Payment and Nonassignability, moved to new 424A.015 & 424A.017 • 424A.02, Subd. 8a; Annuity Contract Purchase, moved to new 424A.015 • 424A.02, Subd. 8b; IRA Transfer, moved to new 424A.015 • 424A.02, Subd. 9b; Requirement for the repayment of a service pension by a retired volunteer firefighter who resumes active firefighting service • 424B.10 Subd. 1; Post-Consolidation Benefits, replicated in new 424B.10, Subd. 1b The obsolete provision is M.S., Sec. 424A.09 |

Article 12: Correction of Prior Drafting Errors

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| 1 | 197.10 | Commission Amendment S0191-16A | TRA | 354.66, Subd. 6 | Corrects Public Employees Labor Relations Act (PELRA) reference. |
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| 2 | 197.21 | Commission Amendment S0191-16A | Retirement, Generally | 356.32, Subd. 2 | Eliminates reference to the former Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association (MTRFA). |
| 3 | 198.9 | Commission Amendment to SF 777 (Betzold); HF 1111 (Murphy, M.) | MERF | 422A.06, Subd. 8 | Eliminates a post-retirement adjustment amount that was incorrectly included when the provision was relocated in 2008. |
| 4 | 202.21 | Commission Amendment S0191-16A | MERF | 422A.08, Subd. 5 | Replaces fund-specific service credit purchase payment determination procedure with general law service credit purchase provision. |
| 5 | 202.33 | Commission Amendment S0191-16A | General | Laws 1989, Ch. 319, Art. 11, Sec. 13 | Correction of a repealer citation. |
| 6 | 203.6 | Commission Amendment S0191-16A | Volunteer Fire | Laws 2008, Ch. 349, Art. 14, Sec. 13 | Correction of repealer citations. |
| 7 | 204.28 | Commission Amendment S0191-16A | Repealer | Repealer | Repeals an obsolete LCPR actuarial service billing provision and a MERF service credit purchase payment provision. |

Article 13: One Person and Small Group Retirement Provisions

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| 1 | 205.3 | SF 605 (Betzold); HF 757 (Murphy, M., by req.) | Transportation Pilots Plan | 352.86, Subd. 1 | Restricts the special plan to pilots electing coverage before June 1, 2008. |
| 2 | 205.19 | SF 605 (Betzold); HF 757 (Murphy, M., by req.) | Transportation Pilots Plan | 352.86, Subd. 1a | Revises the qualification standards for a disability benefit and limits disability benefit payments from the State Airports Fund to five years or until normal retirement age. |
| 3 | 206.4 | SF 605 (Betzold); HF 757 (Murphy, M., by req.) | Transportation Pilots Plan | 352.86, Subd. 2 | Restructures the additional member and employer contribution requirements. |
| 4 | 206.14 | SF 699 (Betzold); HF 741 (Kahn) | PERA-General | 353.01, Subd. 2 | Eliminates a membership inclusion provision moved to a more appropriate place. |
| 5 | 206.27 | SF 699 (Betzold); HF 741 (Kahn) | PERA-General | 353.01, Subd. 2a | Moves a Dakota County Agricultural Society full-time employee membership inclusion and adds MFRA and MPRA employee membership inclusion. |
| 6 | 207.29 | SF 699 (Betzold); HF 741 (Kahn) | PERA-General | 353.01, Subd. 6 | Adds MFRA and MPRA to the definition of "governmental subdivision" as PERA-covered employing unit. |
| 7 | 209.11 | SF 699 (Betzold); HF 741 (Kahn) | PERA-General | Uncoded | Provides for the termination of any prior MFRA or MPRA employee pension plan if PERA coverage is elected. |
| 8 | 209.19 | SF 699 (Betzold); HF 741 (Kahn) | PERA-General | Uncoded | Authorizes full actuarial value prior service credit purchase for MFRA or MPRA employees with prior relief association employment, sunseting after one year. |
| 9 | 210.18 | SF 699 (Betzold); HF 741 (Kahn) | PERA-General | Uncoded | Provides for an election of retirement coverage by MFRA and MPRA employees. |
| 10 | 211.3 | SF 197 (Skogen); HF318 (Nornes) | PERA-General | Uncoded | Allows a part-time Elizabeth, MN, municipal liquor store employee to purchase at full actuarial value service credit for prior service for which contributions were not deducted. |
| 11 | 212.10 | Commission Amendment LCPR09-02A (Skogen) | PERA-General; TRA | Uncoded | Permits a part-time Underwood, MN, municipal liquor store employee to withdraw retirement annuity applications and resume active PERA-General membership. |
| 12 | 213.8 | SF223 (Wiger); HF231 (Lillie) | PERA-General | Uncoded | Permits a deferred annuitant to elect a retroactive exclusion from PERA-General membership for a period of Roseville, MN, teacher assistant service. |
| 13 | 214.1 | SF305 (Bakk); HF 122 (Dill) | MSRS-General | Uncoded | Permits an injured former Silver Bay, MN, Veterans Home employee to file a late disability benefit application. |
| 14 | 214.21 | SF750 (Betzold); HF982 (Murphy, M.) | MSRS-General | Uncoded | Provides identical allowable service credit for half-time or more job share state employees as other half-time or more state employees, with a prospective annuity calculation and payment for any retirees. |
| 15 | 215.16 | SF 1311 (Hann); HF 1409 (Loon) | PERA-General | Uncoded | Permits a Hennepin County employee to apply for a disability benefit despite insufficient post-break-in-service employment period. |
| 16 | 216.5 | SF 605 (Betzold); HF 757 (Murphy, M., by req.) | Transportation Pilots Plan | Repealer | Repeals Section 352.86, Subd. 3, an obsolete provision of the Transportation Department Pilots Retirement Plan. |