

February 28, 2013

The Honorable Steven Johnson, Chairperson
House Committee on Pensions and Benefits
Statehouse, Room 286-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Johnson:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2301 by House Committee on Pensions and Benefits

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2301 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

Under current law, the cash balance plan within KPERS will become effective on January 1, 2015. Under that plan, the interest crediting rate for a member's annuity savings account is currently 5.25 percent. HB 2301 would reduce the interest crediting rate to 5.0 percent.

Also under the current plan, members receive retirement benefits based upon a member's account balance, an annuity interest rate of 6.0 percent, and mortality rates adopted by the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees. HB 2301 would reduce the annuity interest rate to 5.0 percent.

According to KPERS, passage of HB 2301 would have no immediate fiscal effect. Over the long-term, however, the bill is estimated to produce state and school employer contribution savings totaling \$5.2 billion. For local governments, it is estimated that savings of \$1.8 billion would be attained. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2301 is not reflected in *The FY 2014 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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cc: Faith Loretto, KPERS