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**HOUSE BILL No. 2537** 

By Committee on Appropriations

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AN ACT concerning retirement; relating to the Kansas public employees retirement system; board of trustees; appointment of officers and employees; amending K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 74-4908 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 74-4908 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-4908. (1) The board shall appoint an executive secretary di**rector** and shall establish the compensation therefor. Subject to the direction of the board, the executive secretary director shall be the managing officer of the system and as such shall have charge of the office, records and supervision and direction of the employees of the system. The executive secretary director shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act.

- (2) The executive secretary **director** shall recommend to the board the administrative organization, the number and qualifications of employees necessary to carry out the intent of this act and the directions of the board. Upon approval of the board, the executive secretary director is authorized to employ such persons in accordance with the Kansas civil service act.
- (3) The board of trustees shall select and employ or retain a qualified actuary who shall serve at its pleasure as its technical advisor on matters regarding operation of the system. The actuary shall:
- Make an annual valuation of the liabilities and reserves of the system, and a determination of the contributions required by the system to discharge its liabilities and administrative costs under this act, and recommend to the board rates of employer contributions required to establish and maintain the system on an actuarial reserve basis. Such recommended employer contributions shall not be based on any other purpose outside of the needs of the system as prescribed by this subsection.
- (b) As soon after the effective date as practicable and once every three years thereafter, make a general investigation of the actuarial experience under the system including mortality, retirement, employment

turnover and interest, and recommend actuarial tables for use in valuations and in calculating actuarial equivalent values based on such investigation.

- (c) Cooperate with and provide any assistance to the actuary, the legislative coordinating council and the joint committee on pensions, investments and benefits related to the independent actuarial audit and evaluation as provided in K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 74-4908a and amendments thereto.
  - (d) Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the board.
- (4) The attorney general of the state shall furnish such legal services as may be necessary upon receipt of a request from the board, except that legal services may be furnished by other counsel as the board in its discretion deems necessary and prudent.
- (5) The board shall employ or retain qualified investment counsel or counselors or may negotiate with a trust company to assist and advise in the judicious investment of funds as herein provided.
- (6) The board may appoint a deputy executive secretary, an investment officer, an investment analyst, a real estate manager, a direct placement manager, a chief fiscal officer, a member services officer, an attorney, an assistant investment officer and an information resource officer such officers and employees necessary a deputy executive director, an investment officer, an investment analyst, a real estate manager, a direct placement manager, a chief fiscal officer, a member services officer, an attorney, an assistant investment officer, an information resource officer and an investment operations analyst to advise and assist the board in the performance of powers, duties and functions relating to the management and investment of the fund and in such other matters as may be directed by the board. Such appointed officers and employees shall be in the unclassified service under the Kansas civil service act. The compensation of such appointed officers and employees shall be established by the board.
  - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2000 Supp. 74-4908 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book **Kansas register**.