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To: Senate State Administration

From: Marilyn Hamer, AARP Montana Volunteer Advocate

Re: Support SB 74 "Revise PERS employer contribution laws for the Montana University System"

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, for the record my name is Marilyn Hamer and I am a volunteer advocate of AARP Montana that represents around 150,000 members in this state.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide comment on the proposed increase in University's employer contribution to the Public Employees' Retirement System. Increasing this contribution assures solvency of PERS as required by our state constitution. We would like to thank the sponsor for this proposal.

I appreciate your time today and respectfully ask for a yes vote on Senate Bill 74. Thank you.