

Proposed 2023 Session Legislation

Agency Name & No: Public Employees' Retirement Board / 6104

Priority Number: 1 **Filename:** 6104-23-001 PERS Funding

Short Title: PERS Funding

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1. Purpose:

Address the funding of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) through exploring additional funding sources and/or increased employer contributions.

2. Background:

The Montana Constitution at Article VIII, sec. 15 and state statute at 19-2-409, MCA requires the PERS system to be "actuarially sound" and able to amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the system within 30 years.

3. Fiscal Impact by Fund Type:

This impact should be as specific as possible including dollar amounts, funding source, and FTE (if known).

In May of 2022, an Experience Study will be conducted for the five-year period ending June 20, 2021 with economic and demographic assumption recommendations being made to the Public Employees' Retirement Board. It is possible that an adoption of new assumptions will impact the amortization period of the system moving forward which will require the Board to bring a funding bill for PERS during this upcoming legislative session.

4. Summary Checklist [Check & complete all that apply]--

Housekeeping Only Federal Requirement Audit Recommendation (Audit No.) Major Legislation

Anticipated to be Controversial Legislation Bill Draft has been included in Legislation Submittal (if available)

Supports Submitted EPP Item No: Local Government Fiscal Impact

Implements Red Tape Relief Initiative

Leg. has been Submitted in Previous Legislative Sessions (list priority no, LC no, or bill no):

Legislation would affect other state agencies (list):

Special Interest Groups Affected (list):

Other: