

September 24, 1984  
Fair Hills Resort

The chair, Rep. Sarna, opened the meeting.

PRESENT: Senators Collin Peterson, Donald Moe, Earl Renneke  
Representatives Sarna, Rodriguez

Needed Corrections to SF 147 (Laws 1984, Chapter 564)

Jim Heidelberg reviewed the memo. The memo included a list of technical corrections needed to remedy unintended results in SF 147 (copy attached).

Change in Approval Requirement for Inclusion of Employees into MSRS Correctional Plan

Certain employees of the state who are required to maintain safety, security, discipline and custody of inmates at state correctional institutions are covered by the Correctional Plan. A request was made to include certain "chief cook" positions within the Correctional Plan. The LAC approved the change, but the LAC has requested that it no longer be required to approve changes regarding the classifications to be included in the MSRS Correctional plan.

Staff will contact LAC and various Senate Council members as to whether or not the LAC should still be required to approve changes regarding the classifications to be included in the MSRS Correctional Plan and to make transfers of necessary appropriations.

Deferred Compensation and Tax Sheltered Annuities in School Districts

Jim Heidelberg reviewed the memo. Staff was asked to look at the deferred compensation situation in several school districts in the Bagley area. The Bagley district offers a cafeteria style fringe benefit package, also known as a flexible compensation plan.

No action taken on the subject.

Questions the Commission and the Legislature Should Address in Considering Retiree Health Care Benefits

Jim Heidelberg went over the memo and discussion followed.

The memo discussed the complexity of the problem of providing health care benefits to current and future retirees. (copy of memo attached). Two important questions included in the memo: (1) What commitment, present and future, is the state willing to make? (2) What eligibility standards are appropriate?

Appeal from St. Paul Teachers Concerning Temporary Rules for 1984 Valuations

Karen Dudley reviewed the memo. St. Paul Teachers appealed the requirements of the temporary rules for performing its December 31, 1984 Valuations. Touche Ross & Co., the St. Paul Teachers actuary, have requested permission to alter the method for valuing post retirement bonus payments.

Sen. Collin Peterson moved that the appeal be granted. Motion carried.

Eleanor Diebel  
Secretary