

## 2013 Legislative Session

### March 2013

The complete Bill Draft Request (BDR) list for the 2013 Legislative Session is now available on the Legislature's web site ([www.leg.state.nv.us](http://www.leg.state.nv.us)). The BDRs listed below are being tracked by PERS' staff for potential impact to the Retirement System. Currently, there is no additional language available for these BDRs. Once the BDR is introduced as a bill and the language is available, the Retirement Board will determine their position on the bill which staff will then post. This list will be updated on a monthly basis during the session. Four new bills have been added (**blue ink**) to the tracking list below since the last report.

BDR #646 – Assemblyman Kirner – Makes various changes relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System.

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#### Assembly Bills:

AB 31 (BDR #211) – Requested by the Attorney General – Revises provisions related to public records. Assembly Bill 31 was prefiled and read for the first time on February 4<sup>th</sup>. The bill was referred to the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs. The committee heard the bill on February 7, 2013 and took no action. An amendment was offered by the Attorney General's Chief of Staff at the committee meeting to include PERS and JRS confidentiality statutes in the list included in the bill as they were omitted by mistake. At the Retirement Board's February 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Retirement Board adopted a neutral position on the bill as amended to include NRS 1A.110 and NRS 286.110(3).

AB 150 (BDR #739) – Requested by Assemblymen Daly, Kirkpatrick and Bobzien with Joint Sponsor Senator Smith – Provides for the legislative review of governmental agencies to promote governmental oversight and accountability. This bill was introduced and read for the first time February 20<sup>th</sup>. The bill was referred to the Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

*AB 237 (BDR #624) – Assemblyman Kirner – Adjusts the salaries of certain members of state boards and commissions. This bill was introduced and read for the first time on March 11<sup>th</sup> and referred to Concurrent Committees of the Assembly on Government Affairs and Ways and Means. The bill was heard on March 19<sup>th</sup> by the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs. No action was taken. At their March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Retirement Board adopted a neutral position on this bill.*

*AB 342 (BDR #193) – Assemblyman Kirner – Revises provisions governing the Public Employees’ Retirement System. This bill creates a hybrid retirement plan consisting of part defined benefit and part defined contribution for new employees hired by certain public employers on or after July 1, 2014. The bill was introduced and read for the first time on March 11<sup>th</sup> and referred to the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. At their March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Retirement Board adopted a position in opposition to this bill.*

*AB 364 (BDR #364) – Assemblymen Paul Anderson, Hansen, Duncan, Ellison, Grady, Hardy, Kirner, Oscarson and Wheeler – Revises provisions governing public officers and employees. Allows for a select group of individuals to purchase additional service credit of up to 11 additional days. The bill was introduced and read for the first time on March 18<sup>th</sup> and referred to the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs. At their March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Retirement Board adopted a position in opposition to Assembly 364 as this bill provides a benefit enhancement to a select group of individuals and the Board’s Funding Policy does not allow them to support any benefit enhancements until the System is 85% funded.*

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**Senate Bills:**

SB 74 (BDR #603) – Requested by the Senate Committee on Government Affairs – Revises provisions related to public records. This bill was introduced and read for the first time on February 4<sup>th</sup>. The bill was referred to the Committee on Government Affairs. The bill was heard on February 20<sup>th</sup> and no action was taken. At the Retirement Board’s February 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Retirement Board adopted a neutral position on Senate Bill 74.

*SB 201(BDR #559) – Requested by Senator Segerblom – Revises provisions governing the employment of retired public employees. This bill was introduced and read for the first time on February 28<sup>th</sup> and referred to the Senate Committee on Government Affairs. The bill was heard on March 13<sup>th</sup> and no action was taken. At the Retirement Board’s March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Retirement Board adopted a position in opposition to Senate Bill 201as this bill provides a benefit enhancement and the Board’s Funding Policy does not allow them to support any benefit enhancements until the System is 85% funded.*

Anyone who wishes to comment on any of these bills is welcome to go to the Legislature’s website ([www.leg.state.nv.us](http://www.leg.state.nv.us)) and click on “Share Your Opinion on Legislative Bills”, located on the right hand column of their home page.