Retirement; investments; freedom of information act exemption of information regarding the calculation of public employee retirement benefits; eliminate. Retirement: investments; Retirement: defined benefit; Civil rights: public records

A bill to amend 1965 PA 314, entitled "Public employee retirement system investment act," by amending sections 13g and 20h (MCL 38.1133g and 38.1140h), section 13g as added by 2014 PA 185 and section 20h as amended by 2012 PA 347.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 13g. (1) Subject to a plan for adjustment, each large
 sponsored system shall establish an investment committee.

3 (2) The investment committee shall recommend to the governing
4 board of the A large sponsored system investment management
5 decisions, including, but not limited to, all of the following:
6 (a) The development of investment goals and objectives,



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investment assumptions, and performance measurement standards
 consistent with the needs of the large sponsored system.

3 (b) The selection, monitoring, evaluation, and removal of
4 custodians, investment managers, or any investment service
5 providers.

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(c) Asset allocation.

7 (d) Subject to a plan for adjustment, all calculations, actuarial assumptions, or assessments used by an actuary, 8 9 including, but not limited to, those underlying the restoration of pension benefits, funding levels, and amortization of the 10 11 restoration of pension benefits, and those underlying the 12 determination of annual funding levels and amortization of annual 13 funding levels, and recommended contributions to the large 14 sponsored system in accordance with applicable law.

(e) Performing or ordering asset liability valuation studies
for the qualified LARGE SPONSORED system not less frequently than
every 2 years.

18 (f) Review and approval, before final issuance of all annual19 audits and actuarial and financial reports before finalization.

(g) Interpretation of the large sponsored system's governing
documents, applicable laws, plans of adjustment approved by United
States bankruptcy courts, and other financial determinations
affecting the large sponsored system's funding or benefit levels.

(h) Based on annual actuarial valuation reports and any other
projections or reports, as applicable from an actuary or other
professional advisors, the determination of the extent of
restoration of pension benefits all in conformance with a plan for



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1 adjustment.

2 (3) The investment committee shall do all of the following:
3 (a) Select, set compensation for and terms of employment of,
4 and evaluate the qualified LARGE SPONSORED system's chief financial
5 officer.

6 (b) Notwithstanding section 20h(6), 20H(5), approve a
7 qualified LARGE SPONSORED system's summary annual report created
8 under section 13 before the summary annual report is made public.

(4) The investment committee shall submit its recommendation 9 under subsection (2) to the board. The board shall have HAS not 10 11 more than 45 days from the date of the submission, or 10 business days if the committee determines in good faith that emergency 12 13 action is required, to approve or disapprove the recommendation. If 14 the board does not act within 45 days or 10 days, as applicable, the recommendation is considered approved by the board and the 15 chief financial officer shall implement the recommendation. 16

17 (5) If the board disapproves the investment committee's 18 recommendation within 45 days or 10 days UNDER SUBSECTION (4), as 19 applicable, the INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT decision shall MUST be 20 implemented under the plan for adjustment.

21 (6) As used in this section:

22 (a) "Board" means the governing board of a large sponsored23 system.

(b) "Chief financial officer" means the chief financial
officer of a qualified LARGE SPONSORED system.

26 (c) "Investment committee" or "committee" means an investment27 committee established under subsection (1).



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(d) "Plan for adjustment" means a plan for the adjustment of
 debts entered and approved by a federal bankruptcy court for a city
 that has established a large sponsored system.

Sec. 20h. (1) In addition to the provisions of this act, a
system is subject to the applicable accounting, auditing, and
reporting requirements contained in the following acts and parts of acts:

(a) 1919 PA 71, MCL 21.41 to 21.55.

9 (b) The uniform budgeting and accounting act, 1968 PA 2, MCL
10 141.421 to 141.440a.

11 (c) Section 91 of the executive organization act of 1965, 196512 PA 380, MCL 16.191.

(2) A system shall retain its financial records for a minimum 13 14 period of 6 years from the date of the creation of the record unless state or federal law requires a longer retention period. As 15 used in this subsection, "financial records" includes, but is not 16 17 limited to, records pertaining to expenditures for professional training and education, including travel expenditures, by or on 18 19 behalf of system board members that are paid by the system. 20 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, 21 information regarding the calculation of actual or estimated 22 retirement benefits for members of the system is exempt from 23 disclosure by the system or the political subdivision sponsoring 24 the system pursuant to section 13(1)(d) of the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.243. Upon a majority vote of 25 the governing body of the political subdivision sponsoring the 26 27 system, the system shall provide the designated representative of



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1 the political subdivision with a reasonable opportunity to inspect,

2 copy, or receive copies of all information regarding the

calculation of actual or estimated retirement benefits for members 3 4 of the system. The system may require that information provided by 5 the system under this subsection be provided only upon a promise of 6 confidentiality by the political subdivision sponsoring the system. A system may make reasonable rules to ensure the confidentiality of 7 records exempt from disclosure under applicable state and federal 8 9 law. The system may charge a fee under this subsection in accordance with section 4 of the freedom of information act, 1976 10 11 PA 442, MCL 15.234. All fees and expenses incurred by the political 12 subdivision sponsoring the system that are related to this subsection shall be borne by the political subdivision and shall 13 14 not be deducted from or offset against the political subdivision's 15 required pension contributions to the system.

16 (3) (4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a system shall have an annual actuarial valuation with assets valued 17 on a market-related basis. The actuarial present value of total 18 19 projected benefits shall MUST include all pension benefits to be 20 provided by the system to members or beneficiaries pursuant to **UNDER** the terms of the system and any additional statutory or 21 22 contractual agreements to provide pension benefits through the 23 system that are in force at the actuarial valuation date, including, but not limited to, service credits purchased by 24 25 members, deferred retirement option plans, early retirement 26 programs, and postretirement adjustment programs. A system that has 27 assets of less than \$20,000,000.00 is only required to have an



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actuarial valuation as required under this subsection done every
 other year.

(4) (5) A system shall provide a supplemental actuarial 3 4 analysis before adoption of pension benefit changes. System assets 5 shall MUST not be used for any actuarial expenses related to the supplemental actuarial analysis under this subsection. The 6 7 supplemental actuarial analysis shall be provided by the system's actuary and shall MUST include an analysis of the long-term costs 8 9 associated with any proposed pension benefit change. The supplemental actuarial analysis shall be provided to the board of 10 11 the particular system and to the decision-making body that will 12 approve the proposed pension benefit change at least 7 days before 13 the proposed pension benefit change is adopted. For purposes of 14 this subsection, "proposed pension benefit change" means a proposal to change the amount of pension benefits received by persons 15 entitled to pension benefits under the system. Proposed pension 16 17 benefit change does not include a proposed change to a health care 18 plan or health benefits.

19 (5) (6) The system shall make the summary annual report 20 created under section 13 available to the plan participants and 21 beneficiaries and the citizens of the political subdivision 22 sponsoring the system. If the system has a website, the system 23 shall publish the summary annual report on the website. If the 24 system does not have a website, the political subdivision 25 sponsoring the system shall publish the summary annual report on a 26 website that the political subdivision has created or may create.



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