CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

HB 13

2024 Regular Session

Emerson

May 29, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 13 by Representative Emerson, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

- 1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Price and adopted by the Senate on May 21, 2024, be adopted.
- 2. That the following amendment to the Engrossed bill be adopted;

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 14, after "consist of" delete "thirteen" and insert "twelve".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Julie Emerson

Senator Caleb Seth Kleinpeter

Representative Tony Bacala

Representative Josh Carlson

Senator Robert "Bob" Owen

Senator Edward J. "Ed" Price

DIGEST

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

RETIREMENT/FIREFIGHTERS: Provides relative to the board of trustees of the Firefighters' Retirement System

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Removed <u>proposed law</u> providing for an additional mayor on the board of trustees.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides for 11 trustees on the FRS board of trustees.

Proposed law increases board membership to 12.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the membership on the FRS board of trustees includes the following:

- (1) Two members of the Professional Fire Fighters Assoc. elected by the officers of the association.
- (2) A member of the House Committee on Retirement appointed by the speaker.
- (3) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Retirement or his designee.
- (4) A retiree of the system elected by the retired members and beneficiaries.
- (5) The state treasurer or his designee.
- (6) The commissioner of administration or his designee.
- (7) Two mayors appointed by the La. Municipal Assoc. (LMA).

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the board includes two fire chiefs who are members of the La. Fire Chiefs Assoc. and selected by the officers of the association.

Proposed law adds an additional fire chief selected by association officers to the FRS board.

(Amends R.S. 11:2260(A)(2)(intro. para.), and (b) and (6))