

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2023

Page 1, replace lines 12 through 17 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$6,316,169	\$126,499	\$6,442,668
Operating expenses	2,692,221	(235,309)	2,456,912
Capital assets	0	190,000	190,000
Contingencies	<u>250,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>
Total special funds	\$9,258,390	\$81,190	\$9,339,580
Full-time equivalent positions	34.50	(1.00)	33.50"

Page 2, after line 11, insert:

**"SECTION 4. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM - HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL BENEFITS COVERAGE - REPORT TO SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** During the 2019-21 interim, the public employees retirement system board shall solicit and receive bids for the 2021-23 biennium hospital benefits coverage and medical benefits coverage for state employees under section 54-52.1-04. The request for proposal must include an option for coverage through a self-insurance plan. The board may not enter a contract for hospital benefits coverage or medical benefits coverage for the 2021-23 biennium until the board reports to and receives input from the sixty-seventh legislative assembly. The report must provide comparative information and the board's evaluation of the bids received, including information on the self-insurance option."

Re-number accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2023 - Public Employees Retirement System - House Action**

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$6,316,169	\$6,666,052	(\$223,384)	\$6,442,668
Operating expenses	2,692,221	2,483,592	(26,680)	2,456,912
Capital assets		190,000		190,000
Contingencies	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>		<u>250,000</u>
Total all funds	\$9,258,390	\$9,589,644	(\$250,064)	\$9,339,580
Less estimated income	<u>9,258,390</u>	<u>9,589,644</u>	<u>(250,064)</u>	<u>9,339,580</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	34.50	34.50	(1.00)	33.50

**Department 192 - Public Employees Retirement System - Detail of House Changes**

	<b>Reduces Funding for Temporary Employee Salaries<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Adjusts Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Removes Undesignated FTE Position<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Total House Changes</b>
Salaries and wages	(\$89,402)	\$4,814	(\$138,796)	(\$223,384)
Operating expenses			(26,680)	(26,680)
Capital assets				
Contingencies				
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>(\$89,402)</b>	<b>\$4,814</b>	<b>(\$165,476)</b>	<b>(\$250,064)</b>
Less estimated income	(89,402)	4,814	(165,476)	(250,064)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>FTE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(1.00)</b>	<b>(1.00)</b>

<sup>1</sup> Funding for temporary employee salaries is reduced by \$89,402.

<sup>2</sup> Funding is adjusted to provide employee salary increases of 2 percent on July 1, 2019, with a minimum monthly increase of \$120 and a maximum monthly increase of \$200, and 2.5 percent on July 1, 2020. The Senate provided funding for a 2 percent salary increase on July 1, 2019, and a 3 percent salary increase on July 1, 2020.

<sup>3</sup> Funding of \$165,476, including 1 FTE undesignated position is removed, of which \$138,796 is for salaries and wages and \$26,680 is for related operating expenses. The Senate did not remove any FTE positions from the base budget.

This amendment also:

- Adds a section requiring the Public Employees Retirement System Board to solicit and receive bids for hospital benefits coverage and medical benefits coverage for state employees. An option for coverage through a self-insurance plan must be requested in the proposal. The board may not enter into a contract until it receives input from the 67th Legislative Assembly.