



2010 Legislative Update

LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board

March 24, 2010

Overview

- Board Bills
- Other Bills of Interest

Board Bills

- Duty Related Death Benefits (EHB 2519)
- Catastrophic Disability Medical Insurance (SHB 1679)
- Service Credit for Shared Leave (SB 6453)

Duty Related Death Benefits

1. Eliminates 10 year service requirement
 2. Eliminates survivor benefit actuarial reduction
 3. Provides 10% minimum pension benefit
 4. Lump-sum death benefit increased to \$214,00 with annual inflation adjustment
 5. Provides education tuition waiver
- Remarriage prohibition provision amended

Catastrophic Disability Medical Insurance

- Reimburses catastrophically disabled LEOFF 2 and WSPRS members for employer-provided insurance
- Prospective from effective date
- Medicare enrollment requirement

Service Credit for Shared Leave

- Applies to employer-authorized shared leave
- Same treatment in respect to service credit and FAS normally received if using accrued annual leave or sick leave.
- Leave transferred/reported prior to the effective date remains creditable if retirement contributions were paid

Other Bills of Interest

- 2010 Supplemental Operating Appropriations (ESHB 2921)
- State Government Compensation (SSB 6382)
- Suspending Monetary Awards (SHB 2998)
- Furloughs (ESSB 6503)

2010 Supplemental Operating Appropriations

- State agencies, including boards, are prohibited from:
 - Creating new or filling vacant positions
 - Entering into personal service contracts
 - Purchasing equipment over \$5,000
 - Paying for employee out-of-state travel or out-of-state training

- March 17, 2010 through June 30, 2011

State Government Compensation

- Prohibition on salary and wage increases
 - Exempt and WMS employees
 - Until June 30, 2011
- Exceptions include
 - Agency directors
- Recognition awards may not be given in the form of cash or cash equivalents

Suspending Monetary Awards

- No monetary-based awards or incentives
 - Exempt and WMS employees
 - Until June 30, 2011

- No growth and development progression adjustments
 - WMS employees
 - Until June 30, 2011

Furloughs

- Legislature is considering some type of furlough plan.
- Several different options being discussed.
- Updated information will be sent out once the bill is passed.

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QUESTIONS?