

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

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Senator Carole Migden
State Capitol, Room 5114
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Migden,



The Governor established the Public Employee Post-Retirement Benefits Commission (Commission) by Executive Order at the end of 2006. The Commission has begun its meetings, and is scheduled to present a report to the Governor and Legislature at the end of this year.

As Chairs of the public retirement policy committees in the Senate and Assembly, we believe it is appropriate to limit the bills considered this year to those that are not within the purview of the Commission. We have determined that bills that address pension reform, benefit enhancements (except those that are fully funded by employee contribution increases), or the GASB health benefit issues (except those that provide mechanisms for pre-funding retiree health benefits, continuing the effort we began legislatively last year), should stay in the original policy committee until the Commission has completed its work.

Therefore SB 760, which relates to subjects under review by the Commission, shall be considered a two-year bill, and a list of these bills is attached. This designation in no way jeopardizes the outcome of your bill, but rather allows our policy committees to evaluate SB 760 and take into consideration the findings of the Commission. SB 760 will be set at the January 2008, policy committee hearing for two-year bills, after the Commission has completed its work.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to contact the Consultants for our committees, David Felderstein, Senate PE&R, (916) 651-4117, or Karon Green, Assembly PER&SS, (916) 319-3957.

Sincerely,


Senator Pat Wiggins
Assembly Member Ed Hernandez, O.D.