

HCS HB 752 -- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN BENEFITS

SPONSOR: Dugger

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments" by the Standing Committee on Pensions by a vote of 11 to 1. Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Select Committee on Financial Institutions and Taxation by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill clarifies provisions related to public pension forfeiture when a felonious act is committed in direct connection with or directly related to the participant's duties and makes the violation for stealing a class B felony before January 1, 2017 and a class C felony on or after January 1, 2017. The violation for receiving stolen property is a class B felony.

The employer is required to notify the appropriate retirement system and provide information in connection with the felony charge or conviction.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill clarifies language from last year. It will be easier to track if the agency is providing information to the retirement system upon an apparent violation.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Dugger; MOSERS; Greta Bassett-Seymour, MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.