

SB 296 -- ST. LOUIS PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT

SPONSOR: Hummel (Baringer)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 11 to 0.

This bill allows airport police officers in the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis the option of remaining in that retirement plan or to transfer their creditable service to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. Any member transferring is subject to the conditions and requirements of Section 105.691, RSMo, relating to agreements to transfer service between plans.

The bill has an emergency clause.

This bill is the same as HCS HB 831 (2017).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this gives St. Louis airport police officers the ability to opt into the St. Louis Police Department Retirement System, which they do not have currently.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Hummel; St. Louis Police Retirement System; Saint Louis Police Officers Association; and Michael Garvia, City of St. Louis.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.