

HB 2884 -- RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR POLICE OFFICERS

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Under current law, the Police Retirement System of the City of St. Louis is administered by a nine-member Board of Trustees consisting of the city comptroller serving ex officio, two members appointed by the mayor for two-year terms, three active commissioned police officers elected by active members of the retirement system, and three retired members elected by retired members of the system. Active and retired trustees serve staggered three-year terms. Elected active-duty officer trustees are entitled to compensated travel time, not to exceed 30 days per fiscal year, for participation in authorized board duties.

This bill modifies the appointment terms for mayoral appointees to the Board of Trustees of the Police Retirement System of the City of St. Louis. Beginning October 1, 2026, the bill requires the mayor to appoint one trustee to an initial one-year term and one trustee to an initial two-year term, after which all subsequent mayoral appointments will be for two-year terms.

The bill retains the existing board composition, continues the comptroller's ex officio membership, maintains the election structure and term lengths for active and retired trustees, and continues the authorization for compensated travel time for active-duty trustees attending board functions.