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Public Employees Retirement System 2013 Preliminary Crediting Report

The General Government Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Committee on Ways and Means acknowledge receipt of a report from the Public Employees Retirement System on its preliminary crediting of 2013 investment earnings.

ORS 238 requires the agency to submit a preliminary earnings crediting report 30 days prior to approving final crediting. On January 31, 2014, the PERS Board approved preliminary earnings crediting for 2013 earnings of \$9.2 billion, which increases accounts and reserves from \$57.7 billion to \$66.9 billion for an return of 15.89%.

The preliminary allocation of the \$9.2 billion includes: \$3.8 billion to Member and Employer Accounts; \$3.8 billion to Benefits and Reserves; and \$1.7 billion to employer side accounts and the Individual Account Program.

Tier One member regular accounts were credited at the 2013 assumed earnings rate of 8.0%. Tier Two regular member accounts received a preliminary crediting rate of 15.87%. Variable accounts are estimated to earn 25.72% and Individual Account Program crediting is estimated to be 15.59%.

The Board is scheduled to make its final 2013 earnings crediting decision at its March 31, 2014 Board meeting.

Your General Government Subcommittee recommends acknowledging receipt of the report.