

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2284

Relating to Alternative Payees in the Public Employees Retirement System

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: General Government Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Smith

HB 2284 increases the administrative fee the Public Employees Retirement Board may charge to pay benefits to an alternate payee required by court order for divorces, dissolutions of marriage, and other settlement agreements.

The measure increases the maximum fee from \$300 to \$1,300. The \$300 fee was originally established in 1993. The Board is directed to increase the fee each year to reflect percentage increases in the Consumer Price Index beginning January 1, 2025.

Less complicated divorces, dissolutions, or settlement agreements will be charged a fee below the maximum and commensurate with the agency's processing cost. The payment of the fee is prorated between the member and the alternate payee and is deducted from initial retirement benefit payments.

The fee is estimated to generate an additional \$800,000 in revenue per biennium, and the agency has sufficient Other Funds expenditure limitation to expend fee revenue.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends HB 2284 be reported out do pass.