

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 51: Public Employees Retirement System Modernization Program

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

The General Government Subcommittee heard a request from the Public Employees Retirement System on the Core Retirement System Modernization Program.

The modernization program is a large-scale, multi-biennium information technology and business transformation project. A program status report was provided to the subcommittee as required by a budget note.

To proceed effectively, PERS requires additional resources for consulting services, Independent Quality Management Services, and the Program Management Office for a total of \$2.9 million Other Funds and five positions (2.50 FTE).

The subcommittee deferred consideration of the agency's request related to development and operations for the existing pension system until the investment could be more thoroughly reviewed and justified.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means include an increase of \$2,918,801 in Other Funds expenditure limitation and authorize the establishment of five permanent full-time positions (2.50 FTE) for the Core Retirement System Modernization Program for PERS in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2026 legislative session.