

Public Employee Retirement Commission State Documents

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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents

The Public Employee Retirement Commission (PERC) was responsible for seeing that public employee retirement systems were actuarially sound, especially by attaching actuarial reports to proposed legislation or constitutional amendments that made any changes in the retirement or pension systems. Although encompassing the Pennsylvania State Employee Retirement System and the Public School Employees' Retirement System, the Commission was especially concerned with the complexities of pension funding for municipal employees, police, and firefighters.

The publications of the Public Employee Retirement Commission contain annual reports, assembly reports, and status reports. Selected topics from these publications include county pensions, deferred plans, employee / employer contributions, and cost of living.

Biographical / Historical

The Public Employee Retirement Study Commission was created by Act 1981-66 in 1981. The impetus for this unit was an investigative report in 1972 by the Department of Community Affairs that showed many unfunded liabilities in local government pension fund systems. A Municipal Employee Pension Advisory Committee was created by Act 1982-221, and the enforcement of actuarial standards upon municipal systems was strengthened by Act 1984-205. These standards seemed to be further expanded by Act 1996-150. Act 1991-42 dropped "Study" from the commission's title; shortened to 20 days what had been a 25-day time period during which the actuarial reports had to be produced; required reviews of the commission's performance by General Assembly committees every six years. PERC was abolished by Act 100 of 2016.

Legacy Agency Names and Related Agencies

Public Employee Retirement Study Commission (former agency name)

Other Finding Aids

For more information concerning the records of the Public Employee Retirement Commission at the Pennsylvania State Archives, please visit:

<https://gencat.eloquent-systems.com/pennsylvania-state-archives/permalink.html?key=class238>.

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