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### **NHRS Testimony on House Bill 418**

The New Hampshire Retirement System Board of Trustees has not taken a position on this legislation.

This bill excludes “emergency response and training” hours worked by NHRS retirees working for municipal fire departments from the annual hourly limitations on part-time employment.

Currently, the law contains two narrow exclusions to the annual limits on hours worked: (1) a governor-declared emergency, or (2) while working under the direction of the director of the division of forests and lands during woodland fire control. These exemptions were added to the prior version of the law, which contained a weekly limit of 32 hours. Under the prior law, these exclusions only applied if the retiree had not exceeded 1,300 hours worked in the calendar year.

From an administrative perspective, the phrase “emergency response and training” can be construed broadly and does not designate the person or position authorized to make such a designation.