

NHRS Legislative Committee Meeting  
August 23, 2013

**Note:** These public minutes from the August 23, 2013 Legislative Committee meeting were approved and executed at the November 6, 2013 meeting.

**Legislative Committee  
of the  
Board of Trustees  
August 23, 2013**

**THE PUBLIC MINUTES**

**New Hampshire Retirement System  
54 Regional Drive  
Concord, NH**

*Committee Members:* Hershel Sosnoff, *Chair*; Guy Scaife. Dick Gustafson, Ph.D., and Jack Wozmak, *telephonically*.

*Staff:* George Lagos, *Executive Director*; Jack Dianis, *Director of Finance and Staff Liaison*; Tim Crutchfield, *Chief Legal Counsel*; Larry Johansen, *Director of Investments*; Denise Call, *Director of Employer and Retiree Services*; Carolyn Johnson, *Hearings Examiner*; Marty Karlon, *Public Information Officer*; Shannan Hudgins, *Administrative Coordinator*.

Chair Sosnoff called the Committee meeting to order at 10:34 a.m. On a motion by Trustee Scaife, seconded by Trustee Gustafson, the minutes from the May 14, 2013 Committee meeting were approved unanimously.

Following introductory and explanatory comments from Mr. Dianis and Mr. Karlon, the Committee carefully reviewed Proposed Legislation for the 2014 Session prepared by staff to address ambiguous language in RSA 100-A. Beginning with the suggested repeals, the Committee discussed the proposed clarifying language and reviewed changes that might provide consistency in the application of the statute and alignment of language across the retirement types within the overall document. Staff provided answers to questions about member classification, earnable compensation definitions, working-after-retirement provisions, as well as employer penalty allowances.

Trustee Gustafson excused himself from the Committee meeting at 11:45 a.m.

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A brief discussion of medical subsidy issues followed. In response to questions raised regarding Payments in Lieu of Payments to Estates, Mr. Lagos stated that NHRS practice would follow established Family-Tree-Guidance in identifying legal heirs in the absence of a named beneficiary. Atty. Crutchfield confirmed that an appropriate no-recourse clause to address questions between heirs could be folded into affidavits.

On a motion by Trustee Scaife, seconded by Trustee Wozmak, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the Board approve the full package of statutory amendments and repeals.

Mr. Lagos stated that a separate package addressing Call Fire Fighter legislation would be presented to the Committee at a later date.

On a motion by Trustee Gustafson, seconded by Trustee Wozmak, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:10 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Shannan Hudgins*