

SENATE BILL REPORT

SHB 1990

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Ways & Means, February 26, 1996

Title: An act relating to minimum retirement benefits.

Brief Description: Providing minimum retirement benefits.

Sponsors: House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Robertson, Chappell and Delvin).

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means: 2/26/96 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Loveland, Vice Chair; Cantu, Drew, Finkbeiner, Fraser, Hargrove, Johnson, Kohl, Long, Pelz, Quigley, Sheldon, Snyder, Spanel, Strannigan, West, Winsley and Wojahn.

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Background: For the State Patrol Retirement System, the minimum monthly retirement benefit is \$13 per year of service for members and surviving spouses receiving social security. The minimum monthly retirement benefit for surviving spouses not receiving social security is \$23 per year of service.

Summary of Bill: A minimum monthly retirement benefit of \$500 is established for retired members with 25 years of service and for surviving spouses of members with 25 years of service.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This bill will help the surviving spouses of State Patrol officers, some of whom are now receiving as little as \$350 a month.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Rep. Robertson.