
HOUSE BILL 1431

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By Representative Silver; by request of Department of Retirement Systems

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1 AN ACT Relating to department of retirement system expenses;
2 amending RCW 41.50.255; providing an effective date; and declaring an
3 emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.50.255 and 1993 sp.s. c 24 s 916 are each amended
6 to read as follows:

7 The director is authorized to pay from the interest earnings of the
8 trust funds of the public employees' retirement system, the teachers'
9 retirement system, the Washington state patrol retirement system, the
10 Washington judicial retirement system, the judges' retirement system,
11 or the law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system
12 lawful obligations of the appropriate system for legal expenses and
13 medical expenses which expenses are primarily incurred for the purpose
14 of protecting the appropriate trust fund or are incurred in compliance
15 with statutes governing such funds.

16 The term "legal expense" includes, but is not limited to, legal
17 services provided through the legal services revolving fund, fees for
18 expert witnesses, travel expenses, fees for court reporters, cost of
19 transcript preparation, and reproduction of documents.

1 The term "medical costs" includes, but is not limited to, expenses
2 for the medical examination or reexamination of members or retirees,
3 the costs of preparation of medical reports, and fees charged by
4 medical professionals for attendance at discovery proceedings or
5 hearings.

6 (~~During the period from July 1, 1993, until June 30, 1995,~~) The
7 director may also pay from the interest earnings of the trust funds
8 specified in this section costs incurred in investigating fraud and
9 collecting overpayments, including expenses incurred to review and
10 investigate cases of possible fraud against the trust funds and
11 collection agency fees and other costs incurred in recovering
12 overpayments.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate
14 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
15 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
16 effect July 1, 1995.

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