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Sponsor(s): Senators Brown, Snyder, Spanel and B. Sheldon

Brief Description: Ensuring sound actuarial funding of the state retirement systems.

**SB 6167 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Finds that the funding status of the state retirement systems has improved dramatically since 1989. Because of the big reduction in unfunded pension liabilities, it is now prudent to adjust the long-term economic assumptions that are used in the actuarial studies conducted by the state actuary.

Finds that it is reasonable to increase the salary growth assumption in light of Initiative Measure No. 732, to increase the investment return assumption in light of the asset allocation policies and historical returns of the state investment board, and to reestablish June 30, 2024, as the target date to achieve full funding of all liabilities in the public employees' retirement system plan 1 and the teachers' retirement system plan 1.

Declares that the funding process established by chapter 41.45 RCW is intended to include the following goal: To ensure the actuarial funding of the restated law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' retirement system defined benefit plan, and provide for additional state funding if unfunded liabilities accrue in the future.