# **Actuarial Analysis Summary**

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BR or Bill Ref.	HB 164 GA	Actuarial Analysis Conducted For:
Date:	1/25/2024	$\Box$ KERS NH $\Box$ KERS Haz $\Box$ SPRS $\Box$ TRS
Actuary:	GRS	$\boxtimes$ CERS NH $\boxtimes$ CERS Haz $\square$ LRP $\square$ JRP

## Section I: Executive Summary

In the opinion of the actuary, this bill would make the affected state-administered retirement system(s) actuarially:

# $\Box$ MORE SOUND $\Box$ LESS SOUND $\boxtimes$ NO IMPACT

If actuarially MORE SOUND OR LESS SOUND, please summarize the factors leading to the actuary's opinion:

The proposed legislation would have negligible impact on the unfunded actuarial accrued liability and the employer contribution requirement for all Systems maintained by KPPA because the increased benefit payable under the proposed legislation would occur on a limited basis.

Does this bill increase or decrease employer costs?

Does this bill increase or decrease benefits?

Does this bill increase or decrease benefit participation? 

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# Section II: Financial Projections

	Combined Pension and Retiree Health Plan								
	CERS Non-Hazardous*		CERS Hazardous*		N/A				
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed			
Projected Employer Cost* (\$ in	Projected Employer Cost* (\$ in Millions)								
30-Yr Nominal \$	\$19,620	\$19,620	\$8,745	\$8,745	N/A	N/A			
30-Yr Net Present Value \$	\$8,774	\$8,774	\$3,896	\$3,896	N/A	N/A			
Proj. Normal Cost for New Hire	4.04%	4.04%	8.25%	8.25%	N/A	N/A			
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\*Projected costs are for all employers and all fund sources for entire 30-year period.

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	Pension Plan								
	CE	CERS		CERS					
	Non-Ha	zardous*	Hazardous*		N/A				
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed			
Projected UAL (\$ in Millions)									
Baseline (Year 1)	\$6,711	\$6,711	\$2,842	\$2,842	N/A	N/A			
5 Years	\$6,442	\$6,442	\$2,735	\$2,735	N/A	N/A			
10 Years	\$6,101	\$6,101	\$2,560	\$2,560	N/A	N/A			
20 Years	\$4,055	\$4,055	\$1,614	\$1,614	N/A	N/A			
30 Years	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A			
Projected Funding Ratio (%)									
Baseline (Year 1)	56%	56%	51%	51%	N/A	N/A			
5 Years	61%	61%	58%	58%	N/A	N/A			
10 Years	65%	65%	65%	65%	N/A	N/A			
20 Years	79%	79%	82%	82%	N/A	N/A			
30 Years	100%	100%	100%	100%	N/A	N/A			

	Retiree Health Plan							
	CERS		CERS					
	Non-Ha	zardous*	Hazardous*		N/A			
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed		
Projected UAL (\$ in Millions)								
Baseline (Year 1)	(\$806)	(\$806)	(\$11)	(\$11)	N/A	N/A		
5 Years	(\$867)	(\$867)	(\$10)	(\$10)	N/A	N/A		
10 Years	(\$976)	(\$976)	\$42	\$42	N/A	N/A		
20 Years	(\$1,457)	(\$1,457)	\$229	\$229	N/A	N/A		
30 Years	(\$2,391)	(\$2,391)	\$0	\$0	N/A	N/A		
Projected Funding Ratio (%)								
Baseline (Year 1)	132%	132%	101%	101%	N/A	N/A		
5 Years	130%	130%	101%	101%	N/A	N/A		
10 Years	131%	131%	97%	97%	N/A	N/A		
20 Years	138%	138%	85%	85%	N/A	N/A		
30 Years	147%	147%	100%	100%	N/A	N/A		

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## Section III: Brief Summary of Bill

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Did the analysis rely solely upon the same assumptions & methods previously established and utilized by the actuary in the retirement system's most recent **X YES D NO** actuarial valuation?

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## N/A

## Section V: Comment from Actuary

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	KE	RS	KE	RS					
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	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed			
Projected Employer Cost* (\$ in	Projected Employer Cost* (\$ in Millions)								
30-Yr Nominal \$	\$26,974	\$26,974	\$1,372	\$1,372	\$1,340	\$1,340			
30-Yr Net Present Value \$	\$14,531	\$14,531	\$672	\$672	693	693			
Proj. Normal Cost for New Hire	4.22%	4.22%	6.66%	6.66%	17.84%	17.84%			
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Baseline (Year 1)	\$12,752	\$12,752	\$472	\$472	\$502	\$502		
5 Years	\$11,525	\$11,525	\$424	\$424	\$462	\$462		
10 Years	\$10,012	\$10,012	\$337	\$337	\$424	\$424		
20 Years	\$5,484	\$5,484	\$232	\$232	\$312	\$312		
30 Years	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Projected Funding Ratio (%)								
Baseline (Year 1)	22%	22%	65%	65%	54%	54%		
5 Years	28%	28%	72%	72%	59%	59%		
10 Years	34%	34%	77%	77%	62%	62%		
20 Years	58%	58%	89%	89%	73%	73%		
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	KERS		KERS						
	Non-Ha	zardous*	Hazardous*		SPRS				
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed			
Projected UAL (\$ in Millions)									
Baseline (Year 1)	\$344	\$344	\$(256)	\$(256)	\$(1)	\$(1)			
5 Years	\$328	\$328	\$(320)	\$(320)	\$(8)	\$(8)			
10 Years	\$439	\$439	\$(422)	\$(422)	\$0	\$0			
20 Years	\$727	\$727	\$(763)	\$(763)	\$21	\$21			
30 Years	\$0	\$0	\$(1,406)	\$(1,406)	\$0	\$0			
Projected Funding Ratio (%)									
Baseline (Year 1)	82%	82%	170%	170%	100%	100%			
5 Years	84%	84%	185%	185%	103%	103%			
10 Years	78%	78%	214%	214%	100%	100%			
20 Years	60%	60%	305%	305%	89%	89%			
30 Years	100%	100%	424%	424%	100%	100%			

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January 25, 2024

Mr. David Eager Executive Director Kentucky Public Pensions Authority 1260 Louisville Road Frankfort, KY 40601

# Re: Actuarial Analysis of Proposed Legislation HB 164 (24 RS BR 431) and its Financial Impact on the Systems Maintained by KPPA

Dear Mr. Eager:

We have reviewed the proposed legislation HB 164 (24 RS BR 431), and the purpose of this letter is to communicate the actuarial analysis of this legislation in regards to the five Systems administered by the Kentucky Public Pensions Authority (KPPA).

#### Summary of Provisions of Proposed Legislation and Fiscal Impact

The proposed legislation increases the lump-sum benefit for hazardous members who die as a direct result of an act in line of duty with a non-spousal beneficiary from \$10,000 to be equal to 36 x the member's monthly average pay. Additionally, the proposed legislation applies to non-hazardous members with a non-spousal beneficiary that die as a result of a duty-related injury if the member's non-hazardous position could be approved as hazardous duty for retirement purposes.

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#### **Basis of Calculations**

GRS based the analysis using the historical data provided by KPPA. Our calculations are based upon assumptions regarding future events, which may or may not materialize. Depending on actual plan experience, actual results could deviate significantly from our projections.

We are not attorneys, and we cannot provide a legal opinion regarding the changes in this proposed legislation. Nothing in this letter should be construed as providing legal, investment or tax advice.

All three of the undersigned are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet all of the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion herein. In addition, all three are independent of KPPA and are experienced in performing valuations for large public retirement systems. This communication shall not be construed to provide tax advice, legal advice or investment advice.

Sincerely, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company

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