

COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

PENSION IMPACT NOTE

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: **SB 0447**

February 22, 2007

SPONSOR (S): Martinez

SYSTEM(S): Downstate Police, Downstate Fire Pension Funds

FISCAL IMPACT: SB 0447 will have no fiscal impact on Downstate Fire or Police pension funds.

SUBJECT MATTER: SB 0447 amends the Downstate Police and Downstate Firefighter Articles of the Illinois Pension Code to allow the employer municipality to appear at a hearing involving officers or members of the police or fire departments as a matter of right.

FISCAL IMPACT: SB 0447 will have no fiscal impact on Downstate Fire or Police pension funds.

COMMENT: Currently, the boards of trustees of Downstate Fire and Police pension funds have the power to compel witnesses to attend and testify before the board in relation to all matters concerning the administration of the fund. SB 0447 provides that the employer municipality shall be permitted to appear before the board as a matter of right, regardless of whether the employer municipality is a party to the hearing.

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