

#### SB 25-147: MODIFY BOARD MANAGEMENT PERA

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### **Summary Information**

**Overview.** The bill designates the Public Employees' Retirement Association as a local public body under open meetings laws, establishes term limits for trustees, and requires that certain financial information be posted on the association's website.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following area on an ongoing basis:

Statutory Public Entity

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

# Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

# **Summary of Legislation**

The bill designates the Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) as a local public body under open meetings laws, establishes term limits for trustees, and requires that certain financial information be posted on the association's website.

#### **Term Limits**

The bill establishes term limits for PERA's elected and appointed board members at two consecutive four-year terms. A former board member who has served two consecutive terms may become eligible for reelection or reappointment after a break of at least one full term. A vacancy appointment is still eligible to serve two additional full terms on the board.

## **Meeting Conduct and Notices**

PERA is designated as a local public body under the open meetings law.

Starting January 1, 2025, the board must conduct its meetings in compliance with the open meetings law as a local public body. Additionally, the board must regularly update the PERA website with information regarding upcoming public meetings and the process for public participation, as well as post archival meeting records and the board's contact information.

By January 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, the board must publish certain financial information about the association on its website regarding employee compensation and salary schedules, third-party contracts, and executive travel expenses, as well as PERA's annual budget, audited financial statements, and actual expenditures.

# **Background**

PERA's Board of Trustees serves as the administrator and fiduciary of PERA. Under current law, board members serve four-year terms, and are not subject to term limits. Additional information about the board, including current membership, is available on PERA's website.

# **Statutory Public Entity**

PERA will have an increase in operational costs estimated to range between \$10,000 and \$25,000 to manage the additional reporting requirements in the bill, paid from the divisional trust funds. Workload associated with updating elections materials and ensuring compliance with open meetings law is expected to be absorbable.

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## **Effective Date**

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

## **State and Local Government Contacts**

Public Employees' Retirement Association