BILL SUMMARY 1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1277
Version:	FA 1
Request Number:	10694
Author:	Speaker McCall
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure	

Research Analysis

The floor substitute for HB1277 requires the boards of trustees of each the state's public pension systems to grant a benefit increase between 2 and 4 percent for its retirees effective November 1, 2024. A benefit increase of 4 percent will be granted if the system's funded ratio after the increase is 80 percent or more. A benefit increase of 2 percent will be granted if the system's funded ratio after the increase is less than 80 percent.

The measure also amends the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act (OPLAAA) to include a safe harbor clause to allow the bill to be treated as a nonfiscal retirement bill in the legislative process.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN FLOOR SUBSTITUTE AND COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE VERSION

The floor substitute grants a higher 4 percent cost of living adjustment to retirees of the pension systems that will have a funded ratio of 80 percent or more after the increase. The committee substitute would have only granted a 2 percent increase regardless of the funding level of the pension system. The floor substitute also includes a safe harbor provision to allow the bill to bypass OPLAAA.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.

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